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1946 TOWN OFFICERS
Elected and Appointed

Selectmen

EDWARD A. DeWITT, Chairman

LAWRENCE R. STONE — EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Public Welfare

LAWRENCE R. STONE, Chairman

EDWARD A. DeWITT — EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Health

EVERETT F. HALEY, Chairman

EDWARD A. DeWITT — LAWRENCE R. STONE

Moderator

OLIVER WOLCOTT

Town Clerk

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Treasurer

WALFRED B. SELLMAN

Tax Collector

BERTHA L. CROWELL

Surveyor of Highways

LELAND D. THOMPSON

Assessors

JESSE S. MANN, Chairman
Term expires 1948

DONALD G. TRUSSELL
Term expires 1949

ROBERT H. CHITTICK
Term expires 1947

Trustees of Public Library

BEATRICE B. HOLMES, Chairman
Term expires 1948

JOHN F. NEARY
Term expires 1949

SARAH H. TRUSSELL
Term expires 1947

School Committee

ERNEST F. STOCKWELL, Chairman
Term expires 1949

NELLIE E. WOODMAN
Term expires 1947

ROBERT N. PEALE
Term expires 1947

RAY M. SANFORD
Term expires 1947

GRACE B. LAMSON
Term expires 1948

Tree Warden

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Cemetery Commissioners

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE, Chairman
Term expires 1948

JOHN T. WALKE
Term expires 1949

LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
Term expires 1947

Water Commissioners

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN, Chairman
Term expires 1949

CARL G. RICKER
Term expires 1947

RICHARD H. SMITH
Term expires 1948

Park Commissioners

RALSTON F. PICKERING, Chairman
Term expires 1948

PHILIP HOPKINS
Term expires 1949

STANLEY ALLEN
Term expires 1947

Planning Board

STANDISH BRADFORD, Chairman
Term expires 1949

FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN
Term expires 1947

RICHARD H. SMITH
Term expires 1950

M. KEITH LANDER
Term expires 1948

JOHN R. HOLLISTER
Term expires 1951

Constables

EDWARD FREDERICK

CHARLES F. POOLE

BARKLEY W. TREE

Chief of Police

EDWARD FREDERICK

Moth Superintendent

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Superintendent of Cemetery

ERNEST E. MacGREGOR

Superintendent of Water Works

J. EDWARD COX

Registrars of Voters

FRANK W. BUZZELL, Chairman
Term expires 1949

FRANCIS M. BURNS
Term expires 1947

DAVID Q. GREELEY
Term expires 1948

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE, Clerk ex-officio

Veterans' Service Director
EDWARD A. DeWITT

Sealer of Weights and Measures
ERVING O. MAXWELL

Town Accountant
FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Town Counsel
ROBERT B. WALSH

Fire Engineers
A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, Chief
EARL E. JOHNSON
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Finance and Advisory Committee
THEODORE A. HOLLAND, Chairman
PERCIVAL D. WHIPPLE
JOHN KING
JOHN R. HOLLISTER
FREDERIC WINTHROP

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
ERNEST M. BARKER

Inspector of Milk
ERNEST M. BARKER

Forest Warden
FRED BERRY

Field Drivers
FRED BERRY
WILLIAM W. BANCROFT
CARL C. ANDERSON
ERNEST M. BARKER

Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark
JESSE S. MANN
TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN
ERNEST M. BARKER
WENDELL W. DODGE

Patton Memorial Committee
STANDISH BRADFORD
RALSTON F. PICKERING
FREDERIC WINTHROP
STANLEY E. ALLEN
ELMER SMITH
PHILIP C. HOPKINS

REPORT

of the

TOWN CLERK

1946

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON

HELD MARCH 4, 1946 AND OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD MARCH 12, 1946

MODERATOR: Oliver Wolcott

TELLERS:

Frank Back	Lester Charles
Stephen D'Arcy	Mary T. Greeley
Henry C. Jackson	George Morrow
Walter Perkins	Benjamin Robertson
George H. Sprague	Lester Stanley
Frank H. Tarr	Mary A. Wallace

POLICE: Edward Frederick

TOWN CLERK: Francis H. Whipple

The Moderator, Mr. Oliver Wolcott, opened the meeting at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening (7:30 p. m.) Monday March 4, 1946.

Rev. Edward J. McGlaughlin lead the meeting in prayer.

Moderator: "The first business of the evening is Article II:

Article II. "To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town shall determine."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: That four field drivers and four measurers of wood, lumber and bark be elected by the meeting from the floor, the field drivers to be nominated and elected first and the measurers of wood, lumber and bark immediately thereafter.

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. DeWitt and duly seconded: That Fred Berry, Carl Anderson, William W. Bancroft and Ernest M. Barker be nominated Field Drivers.

Moved by Mr. DeWitt and duly seconded: That the nominations be closed and a white ballot be cast for each by the Moderator.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried. The Moderator declared he cast a white ballot for each.

Moved by Mr. DeWitt and duly seconded: That Timothy A. Moynihan, Jesse S. Mann, Ernest M. Barker and Wendell W. Dodge be nominated as Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark.

Moved by Mr. DeWitt and duly seconded: That the nominations be closed and a white ballot be cast for each by the Moderator.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried. The Moderator declared he cast a white ballot for each.

Article III. "To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: That the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee as printed in the Annual Town Report for 1945 and all other committees be received and placed on file.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article IV. "To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways and all other town expenses and determine the manner of expending same."

Moderator: "As in past years I will read the appropriations recommended by the Finance Committee and if debate is wished on any item call "Pass" and that item will be considered after the others are voted as a whole."

Finance and Adivsory Committee—expenses		$ 15.00
Selectmen, Salaries		1,150.00
Chairman	$460	
Other Members	345 each	
Expenses		1,650.00
Town Accountant, Salary		1,552.50
Expenses		147.50
Town Treasurer, Salary		920.00
Expenses		265.00
Tax Collector, Salary		1,265.00
Expenses		450.00
Assessors, Salaries		920.00
Chairman	$402.50	
Other members	258.75 each	
Wages		1,250.00
Expenses		410.00
Law, Salary		690.00
Town Clerk, Salary		747.50
Expenses		727.50
Election and Registration		1,300.00
Town Hall, Salary		1,380.00
Expenses		1,320.00
Police		3,490.00
Fire		3,000.00
Sealer of Weights and measures, Salary		230.00
Expenses		100.00
Moth—Town, Salary of Superintendent		1,080.00
Wages		1,003.00
Expenses		617.00
Special, New Hose		150.00
Moth—Private Property, Salary of Supt.		350.00
Wages		525.00
Expenses		325.00

Tree Warden, Salary of Superintendent	650.00
Wages	860.00
Expenses	90.00
Forest Fire Warden, Salary	34.50
Expenses	50.00
Board of Health, Salaries and Wages	172.50
Chairman $57.50	
Other Members 28.75 each	
Expenses	4,527.50
Dental Clinic	2,200.00
Inspector of Animals, Salary and expenses	140.00
Highways, Salary of Superintendent	2,600.00
Wages	PASSED
Expenses	PASSED
Snow Removal	6,500.00
Street Lighting	7,200.00
Board of Public Welfare, Salaries	115.00
Chairman $57.50	
Other Members 28.75 each	
Expenses	4,385.00
Old Age Assistance	12,000.00
Old Age Administration	1,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,400.00
Administrator, Salary	25.00
Veterans Benefits	700.00
State and Military Aid	200.00
Schools	62,953.42*
Schools, Specials	
Cafeteria, High	2,600.00
Elementary	2,600.00
Shades, High	25.00
Lamson	35.00
Painting Interior—High	1,500.00
Roof, Lamson	450.00
Ceiling	30.00
Gym Roof, Waste Pipe	75.00
Gym Floor, Repairs	150.00
Commercial Dept. Equipment	550.00
Waterproofing, High	500 00
Gym, Steam Pipe and Wiring, High	300.00
Paint, Outside Trim, High	500.00
Leakage Repairs	100.00
Grate and Blower, Lamson	35.00
S. S. B. Automatic Emergency Lighting Unit	88.00
Libraries, Salaries and Wages	919.92
Expenses	1,630.08
Parks, Salaries and Wages	2,500.00
Expenses	650.00
Specials	2,700.00

American Legion	300.00
Town Reports	631.13
Town Clock	100.00
Insurance	1.380.00
Memorial Day	400.00
Water Department, Salary Superintendent	2,340.00
Salary Clerk	500.00
Expenses and Wages	4,095.00
Special, New Equipment	800.00
Cemetery, Salaries of Commissioners	51.75
Chairman and Other Members $17.25 each	
Wages and Expenses	2,098.25
Interest	1,750.00

*Plus dog tax of $381.23

Moved by Mr. John T. Nightingale and duly seconded: That the various appropriations considered seriatim as amended be approved and adopted as a whole and that the temporary 15 percent increases in the basic salaries and wages of town officials and town employees fixed by the town, recommended by the Finance Committee in 1945, be continued from March 5, 1946 to March 4, 1947.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried, and appropriations voted.

Vote on Highways, Wages as Passed.

Moved by Mr. Leland D. Thompson and duly seconded: That the item read Wages of truck drivers and helpers $6,681.60.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried and appropriation voted.

Vote on Highways, Expenses as Passed.

Moved by Mr. Leland D. Thompson and duly seconded: That this item read Expenses and labor $5,718.40.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried and appropriation voted.

Article V. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer to School Vocational the sum of $500.00 from the unexpended balance in the appropriation of $500,00 for the purchase from Emily P. Mandell of Hamilton of a certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of Bridge Street in said Hamilton raised and appropriated under Article 9 for the annual town meeting held March 6, 1944, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. John Hollister and duly seconded: That the Town vote to transfer to School Vocational the sum of $500.00 from the unexpended balance in the appropriation of $500.00 for the purchase from Emily P. Mandell of Hamilton of a certain parcel of land situated on the westerly side of Bridge Street in said Hamilton raised and appropriated under Article 9 for the annual town meeting held March 6, 1944.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VI. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Town Hall Repairs, or take any other action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: That the Town vote that the sum of $2,000.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Town Hall Repairs.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VII. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of various streets, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose; or take any other action in relation thereto.

Moved by Mr. John H. Perkins and duly seconded: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for the maintenance of various streets, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both for this purpose.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VIII. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund a sum of money for the improvement of Asbury Street, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any action in relation thereto.

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000.00 for the improvement of Asbury Street, to be expended by the Town for its share of said work, provided the State or County, or both, cooperates with the Town and contributes to the cost thereof, as provided for by Chapter 90 of the General Laws and Amendments thereto, and that available funds may be used while carrying on the work until the town is so reimbursed.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article IX. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $10,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Maturing Debt, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. John T. Nightingale and duly seconded: That the Town vote to transfer the sum of $10,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Maturing Debt.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article X. "To see if the Town will vote to purchase and acquire a 750 gal. triple combination pumping engine from the Seagrave Corporation of Columbus, Ohio, raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, a sum of money therefor or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: That the Town vote to purchase and acquire on behalf of the Town a 750 gallon triple combination pumping engine recommended and approved by the board of engineers from the Seagrave Corporation of Columbus, Ohio, for the sum of $10,000.00 such sum to be met and provided for by a transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, and that the selectmen and board of engineers be authorized and empowered, with full power to consummate such purchase.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XI. "To see if the Town will vote, subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, to transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Reserve Fund, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. John Hollister and duly seconded: That the Town vote to transfer the sum of $2,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Reserve Fund.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XII. "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $346.11 for the payment of unpaid bills of the water department incurred for the year 1945, due to insufficiency of appropriation in 1945, as provided for by Section 64, Chapter 44 of the General Laws and amendments thereto or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. George A. Harrigan and duly seconded: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $346.11 for the payment of unpaid bills of the water department incurred for the year 1945, due to insufficiency of appropriation in 1945, as provided for by Section 64, Chapter 44 of the General Laws and amendments thereto.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIII. "To see if the Town will vote to construct a permanent sidewalk on both sides of Walnut Road, from Main Street to the Hamilton and Wenham boundary line, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by ten or more registered voters."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to be expended for the purpose of building a sidewalk on the southerly side of Walnut Road and relocating or altering and surveying the same, that the selectmen be requested to petition the County Commissioners to relocate or alter said Walnut Road, and after such relocation or alteration has been made by the County Commissioners that the work shall be done under the supervision and direction of the surveyor of highways.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIV. "To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to provide and arrange for a suitable welcoming home-coming reception to the returning veterans of World War II, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. John H. Perkins and duly seconded: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000.00 to provide for a suitable welcome home reception to the returning veterans of World War II, and that the Moderator appoint a committee consisting of fifteen members, including the selectmen, with full power to make all plans and arrangements therefor.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XV. "To see if the Town will vote to name the playground and recreation centre at the junction of Main street and Asbury street in honor of the late Gen. Patton as the General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park, appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the board of park commissioners."

Moved by Mr. Ralston F. Pickering and duly seconded: That the Town vote to name the playground and recreation centre at the junction of Main Street and Asbury Street in honor of the late Gen. Patton as the General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park, that a committee of six, including the board of park commissioners, be appointed by the moderator to consider plans for a suitable memorial, to report at the next special or annual town meeting, and that the sum of $100.00 be appropriated.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XVI. "To see if the Town will vote to approve and accept as a gift to the Town one or more tennis courts, to be located and installed under the direction of the park commissioners on the town Playground and Recreation Centre at the junction of Main and Asbury Streets, or take any action thereon, as requested by the board of park commissioners."

Moved by Mr. Stanley Allen and duly seconded: That the Town accept the gift of one or more tennis courts to be located and installed on the town playground and recreation centre at the junction of Main and Asbury Streets, the work to be under the direction of the Park commissioners with the cooperation of the donor.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XVII. "To see if the Town will vote to place the position of town accountant under the civil service laws, rules and regulations, and that the tenure of office of the present incumbent thereof shall be unlimited, subject to said laws; and authorize its representative to file a petition in the General Court to effect the same, or take action thereon, as petitioned for by ten or more registered voters."

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: That the Town vote that the position of town accountant be placed under the classified civil service laws, rules and regulations of the State, that the tenure

of office of the incumbent thereof be unlimited, subject to such laws, and further that the Town request and authorize its representative in the General Court to file a petition to effect the same.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Article XVIII. "To see if the town will vote at the annual election in 1947 to elect one member of the School Committee for one year, one member for two years and one member for three years, each such member to be elected thereafter for three years or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: That the Town vote at the annual election in 1947 to elect one member of the school committee for one year, one member for two years and one member for three years, each such member to be elected thereafter for three years.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIX. "To see if the Town will vote to have determined and established the boundary line of the Town of Hamilton between the Hamilton Town Cemetery and lands of Miss Mary Curtis in Hamilton, Mass., situated 621 Main Street, as shown substantially on a plan now on file in the office of the Selectmen, entitled "Plan Showing Boundary Line Between Lands of Miss Mary Curtis and Town of Hamilton in Hamilton, Mass.. Scale 1 inch—20 feet, Oct. 1945, Thomas A. Appleton, C. E." or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: That the boundary line between the Hamilton Town Cemetery on Main Street and the adjoining lands of Miss Mary Curtis of said Hamilton, namely 621 Main Street, in said Hamilton, be and hereby is determined and established after due survey as being the boundary line shown on a plan entitled "Plan Showing Boundary Line Between Lands of Miss Mary Curtis and the Town of Hamilton in Hamilton, Mass.. Scale 1 in.—20 Ft. Oct. 1945, Thomas A. Appleton, C. E.", now on file in the office of the selectmen, and that the selectmen with full powers, be and hereby are authorized, empowered and directed, on behalf of the town, to record or have recorded such plan with Essex Registry of Deeds So. Dist. and to perform all such acts and record all such instruments as may be necessary.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XX. "To see if the Town will vote to locate, relocate, determine and establish the right of way twenty (20) feet wide within a strip of land sixty (60) feet in width as appurtenant to remaining land of the grantor, reserved in a certain deed from the Trustees of the Myopia Schooling Field Trust to the Town of Hamilton, dated December 4, 1941, and recorded with Essex Registry of Deeds (So. Dist.) Book 3281, Page 53, Plan Book 74, Plan 84, said right of way extending from the grantor's remaining land lying northeasterly of the grantee's premises to Asbury Street, the northwesterly boundary of said sixty (60) foot strip being the northeasterly boundary of the Boston and Maine Railroad location, as

substantially shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Relocation of Right of Way Over Hamilton Playground and Recreation Centre, Scale 1 inch—50 ft. dated January 26, 1946. E. H. Smith, Surveyor," on file in the office of the Selectmen or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the board of park commissioners."

Moved by Mr. Ralston F. Pickering and duly seconded: That the right of way twenty (20) feet wide within a strip of land sixty (60) feet in width as appurtenant to remaining land of the grantor, reserved in a certain deed from the Trustees of the Myopia Schooling Field Trust to the Town of Hamilton, dated December 4, 1941, and recorded with Essex Registry of Deeds (So. Dist.) Book 3281, Page 53, Plan Book 74, Plan 84, said right of way extending from the said grantor's remaining land lying northeasterly of the grantee's premises to Asbury street, the northwesterly boundary of said sixty (60) foot strip being the northeasterly boundary of the Boston and Maine Railroad location, as substantially shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Relocation of Right of Way over Hamilton Playground and Recreation Centre, Scale 1 inch—50 ft. dated January 26, 1946. Elmer H. Smith, Surveyor." on file in the office of the selectmen be and hereby is located, relocated, altered, determined and established by the town, that the work be done under the supervision of the park commissioners and the above referred to plan be duly recorded with Essex Registry of Deeds So. Dist. and a blue print of the same be furnished said Myopia Schooling Trust.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXI. "To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 723 of the Acts of 1945, being an act "To Authorize the Establishment and Maintenance of Municipal Departments and of Districts for Furnishing Information, Advice and Assistance to veterans of World War II or Other Veterans," raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: That the article be indefinitely postponed.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXII. "To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law as petitioned for by Robert B. Walsh:

The selectmen are authorized and empowered to sell, and execute and deliver a deed or deeds therefor, from time to time as occasion therefor may arise, lands of low value, after first giving notice of sale in some convenient place in the town fourteen (14) days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure as provided for under Chapter 60 of the General Laws and amendments thereto. The selectmen or whom they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any and all such bids which they deem inadequate."

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: That the Town adopt the following by-law:

"The selectmen are authorized and empowered to sell, and execute and deliver a deed or deeds therefor, from time to time as occasion therefor may arise, lands of low value, after first giving notice of the time and place of such sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient place in the town fourteen (14) days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure as provided for under Chapter 60 of the General Laws and Amendments thereto. The selectmen of whom they they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any and all such bids which they deem indaequate."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXIII. "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, and execute and deliver a deed or deeds therefor, land of low value, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure as provided for under Chapter 60 of the General Laws and amendments thereto, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: That the Town hereby authorize the Selectmen to sell, and execute and deliver a deed or deeds therefor, land of low value, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the Town under tax title procedure as provided for under Chapter 60 of the General Laws and amendments thereto, provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXIV. "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mr. Walfred B. Sellman and duly seconded: That the Town hereby authorizes the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1947 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXV. "To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mr. John H. Perkins and duly seconded: That the Town hereby authorizes the Tax Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXVI. "To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: That the resolutions adopted by the selectmen at the time of the death of General George S. Patton, Jr., be read and entered in the records of this meeting after a minute of silent prayer, and a copy of such resolution be forwarded to his widow.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, it is with deep and profound sorrow we learn of the untimely death of General George S. Patton, Jr., our late townsman and beloved neighbor; therefor be it Resolved, that we, on behalf of the townspeople of Hamilton, extend to his bereaved widow, family and relatives and all his legion of comrades in arms and friends who with us mourn his loss, our deep and lasting sympathy and grief, feeling with us that the Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, hath done all for the best and that He will be their guide and strength in the days to come.

Resolved, further, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the records of the next annual town meeting and also a copy be sent to the bereaved widow and family.

Rising vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: That the meeting adjourn until March 12, 1946 at (5:45) five-forty-five o'clock in the morning to vote on Article I.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p. m.

Vote on Article I.

Polls were opened at five-forty-five (5:45) o'clock in the morning by the Moderator.

There were 1080 votes cast under Article I.

Men	563
Women	517
Total	1080

MODERATOR—for one year.

Oliver Wolcott	831	Blanks	249

TOWN CLERK—for one year.

Francis H. Whipple	907	Blanks	173

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE—three for one year.

Edward A. DeWitt	668	George E. Anderson	206
Lawrence R. Stone	596	Benjamin A. Dodge	194
Everett F. Haley	575	Ralph W. Armstrong	82
Allan MacCurrach	291	Blanks	628

SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS—for one year.

Leland D. Thompson	642	Blanks	24
Lawrence Lamson	414		

ASSESSOR—for three years.

Donald G. Trussell	860	Blanks	220

TREASURER—for one year.

Walfred B. Sellman	575	Blanks	62
Bernard A. Cullen	443		

TAX COLLECTOR—for one year.

Bertha L. Crowell	928	Blanks	152

CONSTABLES—three for one year.

Charles F. Poole	749	Raymond H. Stone	174
Edward Frederick	747	Everett A. Hurd	118
Barkley W. Tree	315	J. Stephen Sargent	105
Frederick P. Goodhue	205	Blanks	651
Frederick L. Rauscher	176		

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for three years.

Ernest F. Stockwell	779	Blanks	301

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for one year. (unexpired)

Ray M. Sanford	625	Edmund J. Liscomb	82
Edward H. Sargeant	234	Blanks	189

WATER COMMISSIONER—for three years.

George A. Harrigan	834	Blanks	246

WATER COMMISSIONER—for one year. (unexpired)

Carl G. Ricker	518	Blanks	159
Harold M. Child	403		

TREE WARDEN—for one year.

Rudolph H. Haraden	872	Blanks	208

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER—for three years.

John T. Walke	808	Blanks	272

TRUSTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY—for three years.

John F. Neary	772	Blanks	308

PARK COMMISSIONER—for three years.

Philip Hopkins	742	Blanks	338

PLANNING BOARD—for five years.

John R. Hollister	757	Blanks	322
Deborah Von Rosenvinge	1		

PLANNING BOARD—for three years. (unexpired)

Standish Bradford	637	Blanks	188
Lawrence D. Sargeant	255		

The Moderator read the results of the voting and declared the meeting adjourned at eight-forty-five (8:45) o'clock in the evening.

A true copy.

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

STATE PRIMARY, JUNE 18, 1946

The State Primary was held at the Town Hall, Tuesday, June 18, 1946.

Warrant read and polls declared opened by Selectman Lawrence R. Stone at one o'clock P. M.

The Tellers and Election Officers were:

Republican	*Democratic*
Edward A. DeWitt	Mary T. Greeley
Lawrence R. Stone	Jessie W. B. Cunningham
Everett F. Haley	Thomas A. Sargent
Francis H. Whipple	

Police on duty:
Edward Frederick, Chief

The election officers and tellers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty by the Town Clerk.

Result of votes cast:

Total vote cast	TWO HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN	(247)
Republican	TWO HUNDRED THIRTY TWO	(232)
Democratic	FIFTEEN	(15)
Men	ONE HUNDRED THIRTY	(130)
Women	ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN	(117)

REPUBLICAN VOTE:

GOVERNOR

Robert F. Bradford ..... 198 Blanks 34

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Albert Cole ..... 69 Blanks 19
Arthur W. Coolidge 144

SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook ..... 205 Blanks 27

TREASURER

Fred J. Burrell ..... 42 Blanks 24
Laurence Curtis 166

AUDITOR

Wallace E. Stearns ..... 35 Blanks 45
Russell A. Wood 152

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Clarence A. Barnes ..... 198 Blanks 34

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. ..... 213 Blanks 19

CONGRESSMAN—Sixth District

George J. Bates	183	Blanks	49

COUNCILLOR—Fifth District

David D. Black	26	Alfred C. Gaunt	98
Louis J. Dempsey	2	John M. Kelleher	65
Joseph L. Dupont	10	Blanks	31

SENATOR—Third Essex District

Cornelius F. Haley	193	Blanks	17
John Willis White	22		

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT

Fifteenth Essex District

Cornelius J. Murray	147	Andrew E. Faulkner	109
William H. Davis, Jr.	33	Clarence S. Wilkinson	29
Paul S. Eaton	51	Blanks	95

DISTRICT ATTORNEY—Eastern District

Hugh A. Cregg	194	Blanks	38

CLERK OF COURTS—Essex County

Archie N. Frost	129	J. Frank Hughes	34
Harold L. Armstrong	38	Blanks	31

REGISTER OF DEEDS—Essex Southern District

A. Franklin Priest	193	Blanks	39

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—Essex County

Albert William Glynn	14	George B. Sellars	3
William Henry Haskell	61	Arthur A. Thompson	70
Walter B. Morse	44	Blanks	40

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

Essex County (To Fill Vacancy)

Edward A. Coffey	92	Richard J. White, Jr.	78
Charles F. McGee	27	Blanks	35

COUNTY TREASURER—Essex County (To Fill Vacancy)

James D. Bentley	169	Blanks	33
William F. Desmond	30		

DEMOCRATIC VOTE:

GOVERNOR

Maurice J. Tobin	10	Blanks	0
Francis D. Harrigan	5		

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

John B. Carr	1	Roger L. Putnam	2
Paul A. Dever	10	Blanks	1
Daniel J. O'Connell	1		

SECRETARY

John J. Concannon	2	Paul H. Snow	2
Benedict F. Fitzgerald, Jr.	8	Blanks	3
Leo Moran	0		

TREASURER

John E. Hurley	13	Blanks	2
Thomas Khoury	0		

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley	11	Blanks	4

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Harry E. Casey	1	Francis E. Kelly	6
Michael F. Hourihan	1	Joseph M. McDonough	5
Edward A. Hutchinson, Jr.	0	Blanks	2

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

David I. Walsh	9	Blanks	6

CONGRESSMAN—Sixth District

Blanks	15

COUNCILLOR—Fifth District

Robert V. O'Sullivan	10	Blanks	5

SENATOR—Third Essex District

Blanks	15

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT
Fifteenth Essex District

Wilfred J. St. Charles	9	Blanks	6

DISTRICT ATTORNEY—Eastern District

Hugh A. Cregg	9	Blanks	6

CLERK OF COURTS—Essex County

Archie N. Frost	5	Blanks	0
Harold L. Armstrong	10		

REGISTER OF DEEDS—Essex Southern District

A. Franklin Priest	7	Blanks	0
Thomas F. Duffy	8		

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—Essex County

Edward J. Grimley	5	George B. Sellars	1
William J. O'Leary	6	Blanks	3

REGISTER OF PROBATE INSOLVENCY
Essex County (To Fill Vacancy)

John James Costello	2	David N. Roach	3
Cornelius P. Donovan	7	Blanks	3

COUNTY TREASURER—Essex County (To Fill Vacancy)

John M. Bresnahan	7	Blanks	3
William G. Hennessey	5		

The polls were closed by Everett F. Haley, Selectman, at 8:00 P. M., and the results announced at 9:10 P. M.

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

HELD AUGUST 8, 1946

Due to the absence of the Moderator, the meeting was called to order at 8:08 P. M., by the Town Clerk for the purpose of electing a temporary moderator to preside over the meeting.

Robert B. Walsh was nominated and unanimously elected temporary moderator.

The Warrant was read and the meeting declared open at 8:11 P. M. by Robert B. Walsh.

Article 1. "To see if the Town will vote to make certain repairs to the high school building arising from a fire at the building on or about April 11, 1946, and that $572.37 allowed the Town by its insurer for the fire damage sustained be applied and used in payment for such damage, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Edward A. DeWitt, and duly seconded, that the Town make the certain repairs to the high school building arising from the fire at the building on or about April 11, 1946, and that $572.37, being the amount allowed the town by its insurer for fire damage sustained, be applied to and used in payment for such repairs.

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 2. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the unexpended balance of $525.00 raised and appropriated for Moth Private Property Wages under article 4 at the annual town meeting held March 4, 1946, the sum of $250.00 to Moth Town Expenses, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Lawrence R. Stone, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $250.00 to Moth Town Expenses from the unexpended balance of $525.00 raised and appropriated for Moth Private Property Wages under Article 4 of the annual town meeting held March 4, 1946.

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 3. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the unexpended balance of $800.00 raised and appropriated for maintenance of various streets under article 7 at the annual town meeting held March 4, 1946, the sum of $800.00 to the Highway Department, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Everett F. Haley, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $800.00 to Highway Department from the unexpended balance of $800.00 raised and appropriated for maintenance of various streets under Article 7 of the annual town meeting held March 4, 1946.

Voice vote on motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer $800.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Health Department, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Everett F. Haley, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $800.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Health Department.

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 5. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer $800.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Old Age Assistance, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Lawrence R. Stone, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $800.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Old Age Assistance.

Voice vote on motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer $1500.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Police Department to provide for additional police protection, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Theodore A. Holland, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $1500.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the Police Department to provide for additional police protection.

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 7. "To see if the Town will vote to transfer $3000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Fire Department for alterations and repairs to the Engine House, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Edward A. DeWitt, and duly seconded, that the Town transfer $3000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Fire Department for alterations and repairs to the Engine House.

Voice vote on motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. "To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

Upon a motion of Everett F. Haley it was unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned, and it was so declared at 8:19 P. M.

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION — NOVEMBER 5, 1946

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, County of Essex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts held on the fifth day of November, 1946, the following officers and questions were voted upon:

The election officers were as follows: Edward A. DeWitt, Lawrence R. Stone, Everett F. Haley and Francis H. Whipple.

The tellers were as follows:

Republican	*Democratic*
Frank Back	Thomas A. Sargent, Jr.
Edward J. Ready	George Morrow
Benjamin G. Robertson	Edmund Liscomb
Frank H. Tuck	Lawrence Lamson
Gertrude C. Hill	Jessie W. B. Cunningham
Carolyn W. Lander	
Alice N. Lovering	

Edward Frederick was on duty as police officer.

The election officers, tellers and police were sworn by Francis H. Whipple, Town Clerk.

The warrant was read and the polls declared open at 1 o'clock P. M. by Lawrence R. Stone.

The total vote cast was ONE THOUSAND AND SEVENTY-SEVEN (1077) — 552 Men and 525 Women.

There were 26 civilian absentee ballots.

There were no War ballots.

The votes cast were as follows:—

GOVERNOR

Robert F. Bradford	819	Guy S. Williams	0
Maurice J. Tobin	240	Blanks	15
Horace I. Hillis	3		

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Arthur W. Coolidge	808	Francis A. Votano	4
Paul A. Dever	251	Blanks	12
Alfred Erickson	2		

SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook	861	Malcomb T. Rowe	5
Benedict F. Fitzgerald, Jr.	184	Blanks	27

TREASURER

Laurence Curtis	823	Charles E. Vaughan	2
John E. Hurley	226	Blanks	23
Lawrence Gilfedder	3		

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley	246	Robert A. Simmons	5
Russel A. Wood	781	Blanks	38
Pearl J. McGlynn	7		

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Clarence A. Barnes	815	Howard B. Rand	0
Francis E. Kelly	229	Blanks	26
William F. Oro	7		

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	836	Mark R. Shaw	2
David I. Walsh	220	Blanks	15
Henning A. Blomen	4		

CONGRESSMAN — Sixth District

George J. Bates	838	Blanks	25
Richard B. O'Keefe	214		

COUNCILLOR — Fifth District

Alfred C. Gaunt	818	Blanks	41
Robert V. O'Sullivan	218		

SENATOR — Third Essex District

Cornelius F. Haley	931	Blanks	146

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT
Fifteenth Essex District

Andrew E. Faulkner	803	Wilfred J. St. Charles	176
Cornelius J. Murray	692	Blanks	483

DISTRICT ATTORNEY — Eastern District

Hugh A. Cregg	875	Blanks	202

CLERK OF COURTS — Essex County

Archie N. Frost	843	Blanks	234

REGISTER OF DEEDS — Essex Southern District

Thomas F. Duffy	211	Blanks	72
A. Franklin Priest	794		

COUNTY COMMISSIONER — Essex County

William J. O'Leary	203	Blanks	70
Arthur A. Thompson	804		

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — Essex County
(To fill vacancy)

John James Costello	212	Blanks	72
Richard J. White, Jr.	793		

COUNTY TREASURER — Essex County (To fill vacancy)

James D. Bentley	817	Blanks	63
John M. Bresnahan	197		

QUESTION NO. 1. LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION.

Shall this measure, which by amendments of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.), provides for payment by the Commonwealth of adequate pensions to deserving citizens sixty-five years of age or over in need of relief or support, who shall have resided in the Commonwealth not less than five years immediately preceding the date of application for such pension, and who shall have resided in the Commonwealth continuously for one year immediately preceding said date of application, which is further described as follows:—

The measure by amendments of General Laws (Ter. Ed.), c. 6, provides for an old age pension commission of three persons, one to be a qualified physician, another to be an attorney at law and a third to be a non-professional person, who are to be appointed and may be removed for cause by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council, and are to serve under the Governor and Council. Not more than two members of said Commission shall be members of the same political party. Original appointments of members shall be for one, two and three years respectively, and thereafter appointments are to be for three years. Such members are to devote their whole time to the work of the Commission during business hours and be engaged in no other business, occupation or profession. One of their number is to be designated as chairman by the Governor and shall receive a salary of $6,000, and each other member $5,500 per year, with their necessary expenses. The commission is empowered to make and enforce rules and regulations as it may deem necessary in the performance of its duties and as may be approved by the Governor and Council.

The measure strikes out chapter 118A of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.) and inserts in its place a new chapter entitled "Adequate pensions for certain aged citizens."

It is provided that pensions hereunder shall be paid from the date of application therefor, but in no event before the applicant reaches the age of sixty-five. The Commission shall render a decision in not less than thirty days from the date of application for a pension or a request for an increase of the amount thereof. Such pension shall, wherever practicable, be paid to the aged person in his own home or in lodgings or in a boarding home, which for the purposes hereof shall include any institution providing shelter, care and treatment for aged persons which is not supported in whole or in part by public funds; provided, that no inmate of such a boarding home or institution shall be eligible for a pension under

this chapter while being cared for under a contract. Such pension shall be paid by check or in cash which shall be delivered to the pensioner at his residence, if he so requests, and shall be paid semi-monthly unless the pensioner prefers less frequent payments. Such pension shall be on the basis of need and the amount thereof shall be determined in accordance with budgetary standards established by the Commission. Budgetary standards shall be such as to enable an individual pensioner to maintain a standard of living compatible with decency and health. Such pensions, except as hereinafter provided, shall be at the rate of not less than $48.00 monthly. The pensioner's budget at such times as may be required shall include medical care, if recommended by a recognized physician, eyeglasses, if recommended by a recognized optician, dental care and false teeth, if recommended by a recognized dentist.

In computing the pensioner's payment under this chapter, the Commission shall deduct from the pensioner's budget or the minimum payment, which ever is greater, the amount of income the person paid or to be paid a pension hereunder may be receiving from any source, and may deduct therefrom such reasonable amount as may be deemed to represent the financial value of board, lodging or other assistance which is being furnished to such persons from any source.

Upon the death of a person drawing a pension, whose funeral cost does not exceed the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars and in whose estate there are insufficient assets to cover the full cost of the funeral, the Commission shall pay to the funeral director the difference between the assets and the cost of the funeral, a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

Expenses for medical, hospital and other services rendered to a pensioner, which remain unpaid at the time of his death or commitment to an institution as an insane person, shall be paid directly to the person rendering such services.

No pension under this chapter shall be discontinued nor shall the amount thereof be decreased until the expiration of fifteen days after notice has been given by the Commission to the pensioner.

Provision is made by which a person receiving a pension may be absent from the Commonwealth on a visit without having such pension suspended.

It is provided that General Laws (Ter. Ed.), c. 273, Sec. 20, which relates to the support of parents by children, shall not apply when parents are eligible to receive a pension.

Provision is made that there shall be set up in the Commission a subdivision of appeals under the jurisdiction of a supervisor of appeals. Any person aggrieved by the failure of the Commission to pay an adequate pension under this chapter, or by the failure of the Commission to approve or reject an application for a pension or a request for an increase in the amount thereof, within thirty days after receiving such application or request, shall have a right to a fair hearing, after due notice, upon appeal to the subdivision of appeals in the form and manner prescribed by the commission; provided that such appeal is received by the subdivision of appeals within sixty days after official notice of the action taken by the

Old Age Pension Commission has been received by the applicant or pensioner. The decision of the subdivision of appeals shall be final and binding upon the Commission.

The Commission or any interested person aggrieved by any decision in any proceeding before the subdivision of appeals may obtain judicial review of such decision by filing, within twenty days of the date of mailing of such decision, a petition for review thereof in the district court within the judicial district wherein the pensioner or the applicant for a pension lives.

In any proceeding for review the findings of the subdivision of appeals as to facts shall be conclusive, such proceedings shall be heard in a summary manner and given precedence over all other civil cases. From the decision of a district court upon review an appeal may be taken to the Supreme Judicial Court.

The possession by an applicant for pension under this chapter of assets consisting of cash, active securities or inactive securities, or any combination of such assets, shall not disqualify him from receiving such pension; provided, that the total of such assets, figuring the present cash value of such inactive securities at the sum determined by the Old Age Pension Commission, does not exceed the sum of $300.

A person is not to be disqualified from receiving a pension because of the ownership of an equity in vacant land from which there is insufficient income to provide for his budgetary needs or minimum payments, or the ownership of an equity in real estate by an applicant who resides thereon or who, in the opinion of the Commission is residing elsewhere because of physical or mental incapacity, provided that if such equity on the basis of assessed valuation exceeds an average of $3,000 during the five years immediately preceding application for the pension, the applicant shall execute a bond in the penal sum for the amount of the equity in excess of $3,000 conditioned on repayment to the Commonwealth of all amounts paid as such pension without interest, such bond to be secured by a mortgage on the applicant's real estate. Provision is made for the recording of such bond and mortgage without a fee and the apportionment of the proceeds realized from any of them between the Federal government and the Commonwealth.

A person is not to be disqualified from receiving a pension by reason of the ownership of a policy of group insurance or of a policy of insurance in an amount not exceeding $1,000 or of a policy of insurance in an amount not exceeding $3,000, having a cash surrender value not in excess of $1,000, if such policy has been in effect not less than fifteen years.

No pension shall be granted to an applicant who at any time within five years immediately prior to the filing of an application for such pension has made an assignment or transfer of property so as to render himself eligible to such pension. No pension shall be subject to trustee process or assignment, and no applicant for a pension, who knowingly makes any false statement or perpetrates any fraud or deception in relation to his application, shall be granted any pension nor be eligible for one during one year thereafter. A person, his executor or administrator shall be liable in contract to the Commonwealth for expenses incurred by it for

a pension paid to such person under this chapter if such person or his estate is in possession of funds not otherwise exempted thereunder.

If an application for a pension under this chapter is effected by the eligibility of the applicant to receive aid under General Laws (Ter. Ed.), c. 115, which relates to State and Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief, the applicant shall be entitled to exercise such options and execute such waivers as may be necessary to receive the pension which he seeks.

All cities and towns in the Commonwealth shall furnish suitable headquarters for the carrying out of the duties of the commission in such cities and towns.

The measure further provides that there shall be established and set upon the books of the Commonwealth a separate fund, to be known as the Old Age Pension Fund, consisting of receipts credited to said fund under General Laws (Ter. Ed.) c. 64B, G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 128A, Sec. 15, as amended, G. L. (Ter. Ed.) c. 138, Sec. 27, as amended, and all proceeds of taxes assessed under Acts of 1941, c. 729, Secs. 9 and 9A.

The Old Age Assistance Fund as in force immediately prior to the effective date of this act is hereby continued in existence, but shall hereafter be entitled "The Old Age Pension Fund."

It is provided that all civil employees in the Department of Public Welfare of the Commonwealth, including the supervisor, referees and employees of the subdivision of appeals in said department or of any city or town, employed in the administration of the Old Age Assistance Law on the effective date of this proposed measure, shall be transferred to the service of the Old Age Pension Commission, retaining their present civil service seniority retirement rights and any step increase from the minimum pay of their grade earned during their service with said department or said bureaus.

It is provided that all records and property used in the administration of the Old Age Assistance Law and which are the property of the Commonwealth are to be transferred to the Old Age Pension Commission.

This act shall take effect on March first, nineteen hundred and forty-seven,—which proposed law was approved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 125 in the affirmative and 79 in the negative, and on which the Senate did not vote,—be approved?

YES	249
NO	442
BLANKS	386

QUESTION NO. 2. LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION.

Shall this measure which provides that no labor union may be operated or maintained unless there is filed with the Commissioner of Labor and Industries a statement signed by the President and Treasurer setting forth the union's officers, aims, scale of dues, fees, fines, assessments and the salaries of the officers.

The President and Treasurer of a labor union is required to file annually with the Commissioner of Labor and Industries a detailed statement in writing setting forth all receipts and expenditures of the union which shall be open to the public, and the said Commissioner is given the

power to summons witnesses and records; and there is a penalty of not less than $50.00 nor more than $500.00 for whoever fails to file a statement or whoever knowingly makes a false statement,—which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 50 in the affirmative and 154 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 6 in the affirmative and 24 in the negative,—be approved?

YES	550
NO	171
BLANKS	356

PERMITTING THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

To obtain a full expression of opinion, voters should vote on all three of the following questions:—

(a) If a voter desires to permit the sale in this city (or town) of any and all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold, he will vote "YES" on all three questions.

(b) If he desires to permit the sale here in of wines and malt beverages only to be drunk on and off the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on question one, "YES" on question two and "NO" on question three.

(c) If he desires to permit the sale herein of all alcoholic beverages but only in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on questions one and two and "YES" on questions three.

(d) If he desires to permit the sale herein of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold and in addition other alcoholic beverages, but only in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on question one and "YES" on questions two and three.

(e) If he desires to prohibit the sale herein of any and all alcoholic beverages whether to be drunk on or off the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on all three questions.

1. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	484
NO	439
BLANKS	154

2. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	493
NO	386
BLANKS	198

3. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES	651
NO	253
BLANKS	173

1. Shall the pari-mutuel system of betting on licensed horse races be permitted in this county?

YES	539
NO	345
BLANKS	193

2. Shall the pari-mutuel system of betting on licensed dog races be permitted in this county?

YES	444
NO	382
BLANKS	251

"Shall the General Court enact legislation requiring jury service by women, with such reservations as it may prescribe?"

YES	486
NO	289
BLANKS	302

"Shall sections one to twenty-eight inclusive of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws, authorizing any city or town to establish a contributory retirement system for its employees, be accepted by this town as applicable to all of its employees except teachers who are eligible for membership in the teachers' retirement system?"

YES	553
NO	175
BLANKS	349

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

RECOUNT OF THE VOTES CAST FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

Pursuant to an order by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Registrars of Voters met at the town hall at 7 P. M., December 7, 1946, and proceeded to recount the votes cast in the Town of Hamilton at the State Election for Lieutenant Governor and Auditor. The Republican candidates were represented by Everett F. Haley of Hamilton, and the Democratic candidates were represented by Daniel F. McNeil of Beverly.

The results of the recount were as follows:

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Candidate	*Original*	*Recount*
Arthur W. Coolidge	808	807
Paul A. Dever	251	251
Alfred Erickson	2	2
Francis A. Votano	4	5
Blanks	12	12
Total vote cast	1077	1077

AUDITOR

Thomas J. Buckley	246	251
Russell A. Wood	781	778
Pearl J. McGlynn	7	7
Robert A. Simmons	5	4
Blanks	38	37
Total vote cast	1077	1077

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE.
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS

1946 BIRTHS RECORDED

Wesley Edward, son of Wesley E. and Rose W. (Caley) Spence.
David Richard, son of Sidney J. and Gertrude (McGovern) Simpson.
David William, son of Bernard W. and Louise (Worthen) Keefe.
Dorothy Rae, daughter of Earle L. and Dorothy L. (Roderick) Whitcomb.
Marie Ellen, daughter of Thomas J. and Zelna A. (Whalen) Walsh.
Kristi Ann, daughter of Harold M. Jr., and Dorothy B. (Morse) Johnson.
Richard Joseph, son of Samuel D. and Helen V. (Lindbloom) Malone.
Jill Linda, daughter of John L. and Audrey E. (Morrison) Rice.
Richard Thomas, son of George J. and Christina (Douthwright) Geikie.
Richard Joseph, son of Frederick E. and Josephine M. (Conte) LeChapelle.
Jannik Svend Porter, son of Norman S. and Deborah C. (Gilbert) von-Rosenvinge.

Daughter of Francis V. and Lucy (Frothingham) Poole
Gwenovefa Delia, daughter of Kastanty J. and Ellen (Cutrumbes) Surpitski.
Ellen Joyce, daughter of Frank H. and Doris M. (Hoyt) Williams.
William Francis, Jr., son of William F. and Doris L. (Thimmer) Conlon.

Daughter of Donald P. and Louise W. (Mortimer) Greeley.
Linda Doreen, daughter of S. Johnson and Ruth (Trask) Tillson.
Nancy Dodge, daughter of Richard J. and Betty (Dodge) Sevigney.
Mary Susan, daughter of Andrew C. and Mary S. (Perkins) Warner.
Ronald Lewis, son of Percy L. Jr., and Gladys M. (Niemi) Curtis.
Wesley Hudson, son of Wesley H. and Mary E. (Sullivan) Towle.
Richard Thomas, son of Richard and Carolyn (Crandall) Preston.
Richard Edward, son of Robert N. and Ruth L. (Ingalls) Davis.
Ian Hays, son of John H. and Camilla (Warren) Gardiner.
Sandra Mae, daughter of George W. and Evelyn M. (Dodge) Chamberlain.
Lynn Montrose, daughter of George H. and Sarah E. (Meacham) Sprague.
Roberta Elaine, daughter of Robert W. and Beverly E. (Loveitt) Child.
Paul Edward, son of Deo P. and Catherine M. (Flaherty) Cote.
Edmond Jonathan, son of Edmond J. and Helen C. (Day) Gallant.
Sally Louise, daughter of Adelard E. and Barbara A. (D'Entremont) Danjou.
Lee Antonia, daughter of Peter T. and Betty B. (Bingle) Chionopulos.
Phillip Martin, son of Albert P. and Wealthea F. (Tucker) Nelson.
Laura Ann, daughter of Lawrence and Dorothy M. (Montgomery) Lamson.
Howard Glenwood, Jr., son of Howard G. and Margaret A. (Thimmer) Parker.

David Lee Crowell, Jr., son of David L. and Mary C. (Dewar) Crowell.

Marcia Eileen Johnson, daughter of Theodore E. and Ella (Douthwright) Johnson.

Alexander John Koloski, Jr., son of Alevander J. and Doris V. (Chase) Koloski.

Paul Anthony Stelline, son of Henry J. and Rita I. (Daley) Stelline.

Michael Bartlett, son of Woodbury M. and Frances T. (McVey) Bartlett.

James Cavill Eldridge, son of Paul V. and Phyllis M. (Hawkins) Eldridge.

John Peter Back, son of John C. and Marjorie L. (Peters) Back.

Peter William Walke, son of John T. and Elizabeth J. (Fraser) Walke.

1946 MARRIAGES RECORDED

Lewis E. Toomes of Hamilton, Mass.
Elizabeth L. Shamey (Lunt) of Hamilton, Mass.

Adelard E. Danjou of Hamilton, Mass.
Barbara Ann Burgess of Manchester, Mass.

Charles H. Ryder of Hamilton, Mass.
Abbie M. Berry (Caverly) of Hamilton, Mass.

Richard Cameron of Hamilton, Mass.
Celia A. Moore of Hamilton, Mass.

Thomas Wigglesworth of Topsfield, Mass.
Elise S. Sweet (Sortwell) of Beverly Farms, Mass.

Charles F. Ayer of Hamilton, Mass.
Annabelle M. Phillips of Hamilton, Mass.

Arthur A. Allen of Hamilton, Mass.
Pauline E. Towne of Essex, Mass.

Alan Duryea Sutherland of Suffern, New York.
Hope Edith Simpson of Hamilton, Mass.

Richard J. Sevigney of Hamilton, Mass.
Betty I. Dodge of Hamilton, Mass.

George W. Chamberlain of Hamilton, Mass.
Evelyn Mae Dodge of Hamilton, Mass.

Richard H. Grant of Hamilton, Mass.
Louise W. Moore of Hamilton, Mass.

Leslie Harold Green of Beverly, Mass.
Rita Marie Elario of Hamilton, Mass.

John Henderson Vandermark of Cambridge, Mass.
Juliet Frances Keyes of Cambridge, Mass.

R. H. Dulany Randolph of Upperville, Virginia.
Sally Lyman Sears of Hamilton, Mass.

Walter Hurd Shaw of Hamilton, Mass.
Marion L. Fuller of Hamilton, Mass.

Leslie Creighton McCulloch of Hamilton, Mass.
Edith Evelyn MacKenzie of Beverly, Mass.

Francis J. Fox of Hamilton, Mass.
Marian I. Maschin of Westfield, Mass.

Donald F. Blake of Danvers, Mass.
Mildred Elizabeth Scott of Hamilton, Mass.

Richard Leo Greeley of Hamilton, Mass.
Eileen Frances Torpey of Arlington, Mass.

Raymond A. Tucker of Hamilton, Mass.
Lillian A. Coull (Deeley) of Hamilton, Mass.

Herbert K. MacMillan of Beverly, Mass.
Dorothy Ayers of Hamilton, Mass.

Thomas Fabyan Moseley of Ipswich, Mass.
Louisa Sedgwick Minot of Beverly, Mass.

Raymond Donat Mailhoit of Salem, Mass.
Theresa Catherine Cronin of Hamilton, Mass.

Albert P. Nelson of Beverly, Mass.
Wealthea Frances Tucker of Hamilton, Mass.

Robert John Butman of Beverly, Mass.
Mary Carmella Stelline of Hamilton, Mass.

Craige F. ODonnell of Hamilton, Mass.
Alice P. McGloin of Beverly, Mass.

Freeman A. Walker of Hamilton, Mass.
Julia H. Jankowski of Salem, Mass.

Lindreth T. Roberts of Wenham, Mass.
Hazel Manthorn of Hamilton, Mass.

Brainard D. Feltis of Hamilton, Mass.
Jeannette E. Crowell of Hamilton, Mass.

William J. Spiers of Topsfield, Mass.
Evelyn F. Tucker (Bodge) of Hamilton, Mass.

Joseph M. Baker of Hamilton, Mass.
Cecilia A. Lavoie of Hamilton, Mass.

Reginald Alfred Maidment of Hamilton, Mass.
Virginia Marie Marks of Hamilton, Mass.

Ernest J. Royal of Hamilton, Mass.
Olive E. Noyes (Elliott) of Hamilton, Mass.

Roland P. Berry of Hamilton, Mass.
Edna L. Sweet of Marblehead, Mass.

Benjamin N. Hutchinson of Hamilton, Mass.
Inez E. Spofford of Bradford, Mass.

William Carter of Hamilton, Mass.
Joaquine Barros of New Bedford, Mass.

Edward Lee Wheatly, Jr., of Hamilton, Mass.
Margaret Lorita Murray of Melrose, Mass.

David Elliott Cummings of Beverly, Mass.
Jane Elizabeth Crosby of Hamilton, Mass.

1946 DEATHS RECORDED

	Yrs.	*Mos.*	*Days*	*Hrs.*
Alexander Moore	67			
George Frank Cross	77	7	13	
Nellie S. Patch	76	6	22	
John Robert Grant	51	5	14	
Mary Elizabeth Cox	76	3	6	
Thomas Morley Norman	75			
John Babcock Moulton	69			
Carrie M. Schaller	77	2	7	
Charles Edward McDonah	75	7	5	
Asneth E. Dukeshire	80			
Barclay Tilton	81	3	9	
Poole				12
William C. Rice	66	7	11	
Elizabeth A. Robinson	56	5		
Winnefred M. Keyser	80	11	12	
Wendell W. Dodge	70	1	19	
Waldow Lewis Aldrich	72		24	
George Morse	73	8	25	
Edith K. Metcalfe	84	10	28	
Adolph F. Johnson	82	4	27	
Ernest C. Walker	35			
Lynn Montrose Sprague				1
Mary Thimmer	83			
Mary Lavoie			3	
Mary E. Minehan	79			

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of Hamilton:
Greetings:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 35, of the General Laws, I submit herewith my annual report of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1946.

TREASURER'S CASH

Receipts	$308,558 82	
Payments	238,047 94	
Balance		$70,510 88
Beverly Trust Co.	$62,544 57	
Merchant's National	7,674 25	
Cash	292 06	
Total Cash		$70,510 88

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my sincere thanks to not only the town officials, but also the many persons who have assisted me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WALFRED B. SELLMAN.

JURY LIST FOR 1947

William W. Bancroft, Gardner Street, Retired
Richard Cameron, Essex Street, Gardener
Lester D. Charles, Plum Street, Painter
Guy A. Crosby, Lake Drive, Contractor
Charles W. Dolliver, Hamilton Avenue, Mechanic
George A. Harrigan, Main Street, Merchant
Philip C. Hopkins, Mill Street, Salesman
Harry L. Moore, Cutler Road, Clerk
Arnold E. Morgan, Goodhue Street, Gardener
Cornelius J. Mullins, Pleasant Street, Inspector
Henry N. Pfaff, Cummings Street, Clerk
William P. Poole, Main Street, Machinist
Lewis K. Pierce, Lincoln Avenue, Truck Driver
John L. Rice, Walnut Road, Mechanic
Herbert Sellman, Bridge Street, Painter
Lester F. Stanley, Lincoln Avenue, Painter
Albert J. St. Germain, Maple Street, Machinist
Donald G. Trussell, Main Street, Contractor
John T. Walke, Mill Street, Superintendent
Edward W. Wallace, Rust Street, Salesman
C. Donald Woodman, Essex Street, Machinist

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT

In account with the Town of Hamilton

Year	and Tax	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1945	Refunds	Collected	Abatements	Transferred to Tax Title	Uncollected Dec. 31, 1946
1945	Real Estate	$8,346 44		$8,214 44	$132 00	None	None
1945	Personal	320 40		308 40	12 00		None
1945	Motor Excise Committed in 1946	92 90		90 41	2 49		None
	Commitments						
1946	Real Estate	$129,124 09	$131 85	$118,581 99	$1,368 23	$10 80	$9,294 92
1946	Personal	14,928 03	2 70	14,351 68	51 30		527 75
1946	Polls	1,540 00	8 00	1,042 00	506 00		None
1946	Motor Excise	3,789 83	19 28	3, 647 21	126 48		35 42
1946	Water Rates Bal.	861 50					
	Commitments	9,481 08	2 20	9,494 71	25 95		824 12
1946	Water Services Bal.	165 20					
	Commitments	452 00		548 96			68 24
1946	Cemetery Bal.	123 00					
	Commitments	434 50		463 75	6 50		87 25

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA L. CROWELL, *Town Collector*.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

Herewith is the annual report of the Assessors for the year ending December 31st, 1946:

Value of buildings	$3,457,450 00		
Value of land	1,314,920 00		
Value of real estate		$4,772,370 00	
Value of personal estate		552,890 00	
			$5,325,260 00
Tax on real estate		128,854 09	
Tax on personal estate		14,928 03	
Tax on polls		1,536 00	
			$145,318 12
Total tax levy			
Rate per thousand		$27 00	
Number of horses		101	
Number of cows		128	
Number of neat cattle		91	
Number of swine		15	
Number of sheep		24	
Number of fowl		2530	
Number of acres of land		8922	
Number of dwellings		917	
Number of persons and corporations assessed:			
Personal estate only		43	
Personal and Real Estate		159	
Real estate only		742	

1946 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation			$188,863 16
Total appropriations to be taken from available funds in 1946:			
(a) In 1946		$24,881 23	
(b) In 1945 since 1946 tax rate was fixed		6,500 00	
			31,381 23
Underestimate of 1944 overlay			161 26
State—Tax and assessment, 1946 estimates			
State tax		$4,500 00	
State parks and reservations		145 43	
State audit of Municipal Accounts		363 92	
			5,009 35
County—Tax and assessments, 1946 estimates:			
County Tax		10,614 89	
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment		2,181 05	
1945 Underestimate		110 75	
			12,906 69
Overlay of current year			1,504 21
Gross amount to be raised			$239,825 90

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:			
Income Tax		16,351 10	
Corporation Taxes		8,094 34	
Reimbursement on account of Publicly Owned Land		2,124 00	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		3,000 00	
Gasoline Tax under Acts of 1945		5,355 37	
Special Assessments—Moth Private		1,000 00	
Licenses		1,320 00	
Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children)		700 00	
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)		8,700 00	
Old Age Tax (Meals)		595 09	
Soldiers' Benefits		190 00	
Schools		3,800 00	
Public Service Enterprise (Water)		8,200 00	
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)		800 00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments		200 00	
Protection of Persons and Property		25 00	
Health and Sanitation		500 00	
			$60,954 90
Overestimates of previous year to be used as available funds:			
State Park		35 75	
Reimbursement—Publicly Owned Land		2,136 00	
Amounts to be taken from available funds: Excess and Deficiency		31,381 23	
			$33,552 98
Total available funds and estimated receipts			$94,507 88
Net amount to be raised by taxation on polls and property			
Number of polls: 768 at $2 00		$1,536 00	
Total valuation at tax rate of $27 00			
Personal Property	552,890 00	14,928 03	
Real Estate	4,772,370 00	128,853 99	
Total taxes levied on polls and property			$145,318 02
Betterment and special assessments: Moth		1,043 30	
Total amount of 1946 taxes on polls and property and of assessments added to taxes committed to collector			$146,361 32

RECAPITULATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Assessed in the Town of Hamilton for 1946

Number of cars	1090
Total Motor Vehicle Excise commited	$4,013 52

To the Taxpayers of the Town of Hamilton:

Starting this year the valuing of Motor Vehicles is being done by the State Department.

The 1947 tax rate on Motor Vehicles is $36.23 per thousand. This is an increase of eighty-three cents over the year 1946.

When a person sells or tranfers a Motor Vehicle a return of proof of sale must be made to the Assessors before any abatement can be made. If car is sold to a dealer forms may be obtained from the dealer.

Applications for abatement for any kind of tax will not be accepted by the Board unless filed within the time provided by law and on a form approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation.

The Board holds their meetings at 7:30 Monday nights or any other time by appointment.

PLEASE READ ALL PRINTING ON YOUR TAX BILL.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE S. MANN
ROBERT H. CHITTICK
DONALD G. TRUSSELL

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

The Engineers of the Fire Department herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

The department responded to 88 alarms as follows: 63 bells, 3 false, 16 stills, 5 out of town and 1 inhalator.

The amount of hose laid, 2½ inch, 10,750 ft.; 1½ inch, 2,000 ft.; ¾ inch, 8,850 ft.

12,050 gallons of water were used from booster tanks.

An addition has been added to the engine house, as the Seagrave Triple Combination is expected to be delivered by March.

Date 1946		*Description*	*Street*	*Owner*
Jan.	23	House,	Waldingfield Road,	Mrs. Grace Davidson
	30	Oil Burner,	Linden Street,	C. P. Swain
Feb.	19	Chimney,	Cutler Road,	George Meyer
Mar.	5	House,	Main Street,	Arthur April
	13	False		
	13	Grass,	Main Street,	Myopia Club
	14	Grass,	Union Street,	E. W. Moade
	21	Grass,	Main Street,	Patrick Keough
	22	Grass,	Main Street,	Mrs. George Vaughan
	22	Grass,	Maple Street,	Charles McRae
	22	Grass,	Linden Street,	Town of Hamilton
	22	Grass,	Bridge & Woodbury Streets,	Helen Frick
	23	Grass,	Highland Street,	P. W. Hawkins
	23	Building,	Off Highland Street,	Lloyd Ricker
	24	Grass,	Main Street,	Henry Hammond
	24	Grass,	Sagamore Street,	Stanley Dunn
	24	Grass,	Central Avenue,	Town of Hamilton
	24	Grass,	Highland Street,	P. W. Hawkins
	24	Grass and Brush,	Cutler Road,	Harvard College
	27	False		
	27	Grass and Brush,	Goodhue Street,	Grace T. Davidson
	28	Grass and Brush,	Main Street,	Arthur April
	30	Oil Burner,	Gardner Street,	Dr. John Corcoran
	31	Brush,	Bridge Street,	Forrester Clark
	31	Dump,	Asbury Street,	Frank Maione

Date 1946		*Description*	*Street*	*Owner*
April	1	Grass,	Essex Street,	Bartlett Gardens
	11	Curtain,	High School,	Town of Hamilton
	12	Grass,	Bridge Street,	Forrester Clark
	12	Brush and Woods,	Highland Street,	Frederick Winthrop
	17	Grass,	Lois Street,	Hazel Cram
	18	Brush and Woods,	Highland Street	Grace Davidson & Frederick Winthrop
	18	Grass,	Topsfield Road,	Town of Hamilton
	19	Brush,	Moulton Street,	Town of Hamilton
	20	Woods,	Cutler Road,	Harvard College
	20	Dump,	Asbury Street,	Frank Maione
	30	Motorcycle,	Asbury Street,	Henry's Garage
May	1	Out of Town,	Topsfield	
	3	Garage,	Essex Street,	Donald Woodman
	4	Brush and Woods,	Cutler Road,	J. W. Griess
	11	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	13	Inhalator		
	13	Brush,	Main Street,	George Meyer
	13	Brush,	Echo Cove Road,	Stanley Berry
	13	Grass,	Asbury Street,	Robert Robertson
	26	Out of Town,	Wenham	
	27	Tree,	Moulton Street,	Town of Hamilton
June	13	Out of Town,	Ipswich	
	15	Grass,	Walnut Road,	Dr. Frederick Webster
	20	Cottage,	Topsfield Road,	Harry Durham
	23	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	24	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	25	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	27	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	29	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
July	1	Grass,	Cutler Road,	J. W. Griess
	8	Grass,	Cutler Road,	B. & M. Railroad
	10	Grass,	Cutler Road,	George Meyer
	17	Brush and Grass,	Sagamore Hill,	Albert Whipple
	25	House,	Essex Street,	A. T. Elwell
	28	House,	Roosevelt Avenue,	Edmond Liscomb
Aug.	1	Oil Burner,	Western Avenue,	Frank Wheeler
	6	Tractor,	Main Street,	Andrew Anderson
	6	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	7	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
Sept.	26	Oil Burner,	Willow Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	28	Grass,	Bridge Street,	Forrester Clark
Oct.	12	Oil Burner,	Walnut Road,	Renauf Russell
	13	House,	Wenham	
	22	Automobile,	Union Street,	Stanley Golden
	31	Grass and Brush,	Bridge Street,	Forrester Clark
	31	Grass & Brush,	Bridge & Woodbury Streets,	Town of Hamilton
	31	Grass and Brush,	Main Street,	Town of Hamilton

Date		*Description*	*Street*	*Owner*
1946				
Nov.	1	Grass and Brush,	Highland Street,	Jesse Mann
	1	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	1	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	2	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	4	Dump,	Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	5	Grass and Brush,	Linden Street,	Jesse Mann
	19	School Bus,	Cutler Road,	Donald Trussell
	29	Grass and Brush,	Highland Street,	Frederick Winthrop
Dec.	3	Grass,	Bridge Street,	Estate of Fred Ayers
	3	Grass,	Asbury Street,	Town of Hamilton
	6	Out of Town,	Essex	
	18	False		
	20	Tree,	Highland Street,	Frederick Winthrop
	24	Truck,	Highland Street,	Merritt & Arnold
	27	Chimney,	Walnut Road,	Osgood Phippen
	30	Building,	Main Street,	Community House Inc.

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS
EARL E. JOHNSON
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

Herewith is presented the fifty-fourth annual report.

The circulation of books for 1946 was 12,632; at the Main Library 4583, a gain of 203; at the Branch Library 8049, a gain of 622. Circulation of periodicals was 1197; at the Main Library 819, at the Branch Library 378, a gain of 147.

Circulation of books and magazines was 13,829.

We have a total of 309 subscribers; 111 at the Main Library, 198 at the Branch Library.

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA L. HARADEN,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The trustees of your library are heartened by the librarian's report which indicates an increase in book circulation at both the Main and Branch libraries, as well as in the number of regular borrowers during the year past. We are not only hopeful that this trend will continue, but are anxious to stimulate it in every way possible. In the current year we shall attempt to invite greater public attention to book acquisitions, and we urge that as individuals or as reading groups the citizens make more general use of our library facilities. We especially hope that the schools will call upon us for increased assistance, and we submit that trustees and librarians will be found eager to co-operate and amenable to suggestion.

In the past year the trustees have supplemented their previous efforts to better adapt the branch library to reading ease by the installation of improved fluorescent lighting. Such steps, it should be pointed out, are always taken with an eye to minimum expense, as we must regard the present library branch arrangement as a temporary one at best. The need of a commodious and central library for Hamilton is one that becomes increasingly urgent each year, and once more we recommend it to the citizens for serious consideration.

The trustees avail themselves of this opportunity to publicly thank our veteran librarians, Mrs. Haraden and Mrs. Perley, for their usual competent services, as well as for their helpfulness to the reading public beyond actual duty requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE B. HOLMES
SARAH H. TRUSSELL
JOHN F. NEARY

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The Board of Park Commissioners herewith submit its report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

The usual maintenance of the Manassah Cutler Park, the Soldier's Green, the two triangles on Miles River Road and the baseball field in Winthrop Park at the High School was carried on as in previous years, and, in addition, improvements were made to these and our other Parks as described below.

The Baseball Diamond and the backstop at Winthrop Park were repaired and improved.

The Park on Roosevelt Avenue was plowed up, smoothed off and seeded down, and a sand box for small children was placed there.

At our Park at Chebacco Lake, a large amount of beach sand was trucked from Cranes Beach in Ipswich and spread over the beach at this park. Signs were erected restricting the use of this beach and park to Hamilton residents only.

The year 1946 has been an unsually busy one for the Park Department in the development of the new General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park.

Following the completion of the contractor's job of excavating, filling and rough grading, our work got under way. Mr. James Goodrich was hired as Park Superintendent on a full-time basis. Mr. Elmer Smith was retained by the Park Commissioners as our engineer. Our immediate program was to complete as far as possible our plans as submitted in last year's town report.

One of the first projects that we were able to complete was the erection of a tool house to be used as such during the summer and as a place for skaters to change their skates and to warm up in the winter.

Through the generosity of Mr. Frederick Winthrop and Miss Catherine Winthrop, three tennis courts were offered to the town for immediate installation. More than any other one thing, this gave our Park plan a tremendous boost. These courts were completed during the summer. Following this, they were opened to the public with an exhibition tennis match by Miss Winthrop and Mrs. Vosters of Philadelphia, both high-ranking tennis players of the United States. We feel from the enthusiasm of the many that have played on these courts that they are among the finest of any town or city in Massachusetts.

Work was started on the finish grading and seeding of our new baseball field early in the spring. This work was delayed because of the heavy rains last May, and the seeding was done a little later than it should have been, but due to the completion of our water system last spring, we were able to produce a very good growth of grass in spite of the June and July drought.

Playground equipment was ordered, but unfortunately most of it did not arrive until after the summer season. However, the playground activities for the summer season were a great success. Mrs. Virginia Stackpole of Beverly and Miss Jane Thayer of Hamilton were retained as instructors. Throughout the summer they were in attendance at the park five days a week. They worked out a very enjoyable program for the children. and the average attendance was high. Part of their program included a trip by bus to our Chebacco Lake Park for swimming once a week. We believe that instruction in swimming should be an important part of our playground program. This year, we feel with the equipment now on hand to work with that we will have a bigger season than ever. In regards to the playground equipment, we want to expressly thank the Mother's Club and the Motion Picture Committee of Community Service for their gifts to the town of certain articles of equipment.

Other projects completed this year were; the grading and surfacing of the parking space, the grading and seeding of the playground area, the erection of some playground equipment, the installation of drinking fountains, the setting of some of the trees required for the skating rink windbreak, the installation of floodlights for the skating rink, and the fixing up of the tool house as a shelter for skaters.

Due to weather conditions, the skating season has been shorter than usual. but the rink has been greatly enjoyed by a great many. Due to the high cost of lumber, we have been unable to provide a suitable enclosure for hockey, which has made it necessary to restrict this sport. We hope that when costs are lower, this will be rectified so that hockey talent in town and in the schools will be able to have first-class teams. The small warm shelter provided in the tool house has been very much appreciated by the skaters. Many favorable comments have been received in regards to the lighting, safety and supervision of this rink.

We wish to call attention to the many townspeople that do not know its existence that a very good beach and picnic grove is available at Chebacco Lake Park for their use.

Our plans for this year call for the completion of our baseball infield with backstop, the installation of a drainage pipe and other general improvements.

Looking to the future, our great need is a field house that will provide toilet facilities, recreation rooms, and a small kitchen. Our hope is that this will not be long coming.

This report would not be complete if it did not give credit to those who have given so generously of their time and effort in behalf of the development of our park plan. Beyond his engineering fee, Mr. Elmer Smith has spent many hours on planning and working for which he received no pay. His interest and enthusiasm kept the Park Department on its toes throughout the year.

Mr. Ray Sanford has given his time. effort, labor and advice to make this a better park for his friends—the children of the town.

Mr. James Goodrich has proven to be a most suitable choice for the position of Superintendent. He has spent many long hours to see that everything went smoothly. The many that enjoy the Park will testify to his cheerful, efficient performance of his duties.

We also owe much to the help given us by Messrs Lawrence Stone, Edward Cox, Leland Thompson, Robert Walsh and others.

Respectfully submitted,

RALSTON F. PICKERING
STANLEY ALLEN
PHILIP HOPKINS

REPORT OF GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON, JR. MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The undersigned committee was appointed under authority of a vote adopted at the Annual Town Meeting in 1946 for the purpose of looking into a suitable memorial to General George S. Patton, Jr., and reporting at the next town meeting.

The committee has met a number of times during the year and has discussed the subject with Mrs. Patton. Upon her recommendation the Sherman tank now located on the General Patton Memorial Park was requested and obtained. It will be necessary to establish a permanent foundation for the tank, and the committee recommends that a permanent flagpole be erected close to it.

The committee is further of opinion that although the tank is suitable as part of the memorial, it should not be considered complete in itself and the committee has reached the following conclusions:

(a) That there is substantial need for a field house on the General Patton Memorial Park to provide facilities for skaters, for children's handicraft on rainy days, for tennis and baseball players, and others using the Park for general recreation, which facilities should include a small kitchen, adequate toilets, and recreation rooms; and in general the field house and play ground will be a recreation center for the children and people of the community. It is not the intention of the Committee, however, that it will be of a size to compete with the Community House;

(b) That such field house would be a living memorial to General Patton and would serve the youth of the community, and as such would be more in keeping with the spirit for which the General stood than any other memorial which has occurred to or been suggested to the committee;

(c) That is has been brought to the attention of the committee that many of the friends and admirers of General Patton would welcome the opportunity to contribute to a fund to create a fitting memorial to him, such fund to be presented to the town for such purpose. With that thought in mind the committee plans to go into the matter to ascertain how substantial an amount may be assured and then to ask the town to accept the same as a gift and to appropriate such balance as may be needed to erect the building.

To carry out the foregoing the committee recommends the following action be taken:

(1) That the committee further report at the annual town meeting in March 1948, or, if it so desires, at any special meeting held prior to that date;

(2) That the personnel of the committee be increased by three new members, to be appointed by the Moderator;

(3) That the committee be authorized and empowered to have plans and specifications for a field house prepared, consult with architects and civil engineers and obtain bids for the same.

(4) That the town raise and appropriate the sum of $500. for the purposes of the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

STANDISH BRADFORD
RALSTON F. PICKERING
STANLEY E. ALLEN
PHILIP C. HOPKINS
ELMER SMITH
FREDERIC WINTHROP

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1946.

Total Arrests 26; Females 0, Males 26.

CLASSIFICATION OF CRIME

Drunkeness	9	Breaking and entering	5
Non-support	3	Larceny of automobile	1
Army deserter	1	Burning to defraud	2
Driving under influence	2	Driving to endanger	2
Leaving scene of accident	1		

DISPOSITION OF CASES

DISTRICT COURT

Released without arraignment	5	Turned over to Federal Authorities	1
Sentenced to House of Correction	2	Appealed to Superior Court	3
Sentenced and put on probation	7		
Fined and paid	8		

SUPERIOR COURT

Found guilty and fined	3

ARRESTS MADE BY OFFICERS

Frederick	24	Wentworth	1
Poole	1		

SUMMONS SERVED

For local department	2	For out of town police	19

AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS

Licenses revoked by Registrar	4
Registrations revoked by Registrar	2
Automobile transfers	31

COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED

Frederick	166	Poole	52
Tree	24	Wentworth	3
Sargent	18	Back	7

MISCELLANEOUS

Lights reported out	27
Dangerous wires reported	4
Street obstructions reported	2
Assistance to out of town officers	11
Persons conveyed to hospital and physician	14
Property reported stolen	$6,300.00
Property recovered	$1,800.00

I express my appreciation for the cooperation and assistance rendered by the police officers, towns officials, out of town police officers, residents of Hamilton and all others who have assisted this department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD FREDERICK,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The following report of the Highway Department for the year ending December 31, 1946 is respectfully submitted.

In 1946 the Highway Department has applied 15,000 gallons of asphalt as a seal-coat to those streets most in need of repair. An added 1,600 gallons were used in the mixing of pea-stone and sand for patching holes and broken shoulders.

Work of cutting back shoulders in order to have a better drainage of excess water was continued this year with Highland St. having been done.

Rust St. was rebuilt and oiled and necessary drainage installed. A seal-coat is to be applied this year to complete it.

The gravel roads were kept patched and scraped as usual and drains and catch-basins cleaned.

The sidewalk project on Walnut Rd. was started rather late due to the County having to make a new lay-out. However all drainage has been installed and completion of the sidewalk will be carried out this Spring.

I wish to express my thanks to each and every Town Department and to the Citizens of the Town for the helpful cooperation I have received during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

LELAND D. THOMPSON,

Surveyor of Highways.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to sumit to you the Annual Report of the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1946.

Scales	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform over 10,000 lbs.	....	2	....	....
Platform 5,000 to 10,000 lbs.	1	7	....	....
Counter 100 to 5,000,	....	....	....	....
Counter under 100 lbs.	....	2	1	....
Spring 100 to 5,000 lbs.	....	2	....	....
Spring under 100 lbs.	2	4	3	1
Computing under 100 lbs.	....	5	2	....
Personal Weighing	....	1	....	....
Prescription	....	1	....	....
Weights				
Avoirdupois	....	33	....	....
Apothecary	....	20	....	....
Volumetric Measures				
Liquid Measures under 1 gal.	....	19	....	....
Fuel Baskets	....	2	2	....
Automatic Liquid Measuring Devices				
Gasoline Pumps	....	25	....	....
Oil Pumps	....	2	23	....
Grease Measuring Devices	....	6	....	....
Yard Sticks	....	3	....	....

Reweighing Commodities Sold or Put Up for Sale

Number correct	143
Number under	39
Number over	24

Respectfully submitted,

ERVING O. MAXWELL,
Sealer.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

We submit a report of the activities of the Board of Health for the year 1946:—

As has been customary in the past bids were requested during April for the collection of garbage and rubbish for the period of May 1, 1946 to April 30, 1947. Rubbish collections were increased from twice a month, to every other Monday, starting on May 6th, thereby eliminating a three week period between some collections. Garbage collections were continued at once a week from October 1st to May 31st, and twice a week from June 1st to September 30th. The contract for the collection of rubbish was awarded to Welch & Lamson, Inc., for $1,898.00, and for the collection of garbage to Arthur Cook for $2,240.00, the lowest bidders in both instances.

We request your continued cooperation in keeping your garbage free from glass, tin cans and other foreign substance as it is used as feed for pigs.

Various complaints relative to health problems have been received and investigated, with proper action being taken where warranted.

The following communicable diseases were reported during the year:

Dog Bite	4
German Measles	2
Measles	6
Mumps	4
Scarlet Fever	5
Whooping Cough	6
Tuberculosis	1
Typhoid Fever	1

The Dental Clinic has been continued under Dr. John King, with Miss Florence Stobbart assisting.

The following report submitted by Dr. King shows the activity of the Clinic during the year.

I herewith submit my report for the year 1946:

500 children attended Clinic

Cleanings	149
Amalgam fillings	369
Cement fillings	77
Root treatments	6
Administered Novocaine	59
X-Rays	3
Extracted temporary teeth	52
Extracted permanent teeth	3
Total	718

Of the permanent teeth extracted one was removed for straightening purposes. The second one was extracted for a child who had recently moved here and the other one was from the mouth of a child who had continued to live here but did not take advantage of the clinic during 1945.

Eighty-nine certificates were given to that many children during the year. It is interesting to note that only five certificates were turned into school by children who had had their work done elsewhere. These were not included in the above eighty-nine.

I am sorry that more children did not receive certificates but for some reason they do not continue long enough to reach that goal.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN KING.

Dr. King's report bears out the value of the dental clinic and the importance of attendance by the children.

The dumping of rubbish in various parts of town created a nuisance, which resulted in the Board prohibiting dumping in such places, and posting signs to that effect.

We wish to express our appreciation to all who have assisted us during the year.

EVERETT F. HALEY
LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DEWITT

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

We submit herewith a report of the activities of the Welfare Department for the year ending December 31, 1946.

This Board administers the three categories of public assistance known as General Relief, Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children.

Expenditures for assistance under General Relief showed a slight increase over that of last year. Aid to some was discontinued when need no longer existed, and other cases were accepted when it was determined that assistance was necessary. As has been true for the past few years, the persons being assisted under this category are persons who are not physically able to work.

Expenditures for assistance under the Old Age Assistance program amounted to $20,267.92. This is an increase of $1,715.45 over last year and is due to a larger number of persons receiving assistance, as well as an increase in the amount of monthly grants to all recipients to meet increased living costs.

The Cost of old age assistance is borne by the Federal Government, the State and the Town, with receipts from the Meals Tax being applied to such cost.

The following figures will show the proportionate cost during 1946:

Expenditures	$20,267.92	State Share	$8,414.91
		Federal Share	8,390.51
		Meals Tax Rec'd.	657.58
		Net Cost to Town	2,804.92
	$20,267.92		$20,267.92

Expenditures under Aid to Dependent Children amounted to $1,905.75. This is an increase of $169.18 over last year, and is entirely due to an increase in the amount of grants to meet living costs. As in old age assistance, the cost of assistance under this category is borne by the Federal Government, the State and the Town.

The following figures will show the proportionate cost during 1946:

Expenditures	$1,905.75	State Share	$635.25
		Federal Share	544.00
		Net Cost to Town	726.50
	$1,905.75		$1,905.75

From the foregoing figures it will be readily seen that the Federal Government and the State contribute a major portion of the cost of Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children. Such contributions are made only if the assistance is granted in accordance with State and Federal policies and procedures.

We anticipate an increase in the cost of all three categories for the coming year, and feel it will be necessary to increase the budget for General Relief and Old Age Assistance. Be cause of the amount of Federal funds available for Aid to Dependent Children assistance, we feel able to reduce the budget for this item for the coming year.

We wish to express our appreciation to Dr. Larchez and our District Nurse, Miss Haynes for their splendid cooperation, and to all who have assisted us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted.

LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DeWITT
EVERETT F. HALEY

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF HAMILTON

By

EDWARD A. DEWITT, LAWRENCE R. STONE AND EVERETT F. HALEY
Selectmen

A PROCLAMATION
1946

Throughout this peaceful town, nestled in the rolling hills of old Essex County, and the rest of the world, on the seventh day of December, 1941, was flashed the news of the treacherous attack while apparently in the midst of mutual peace negotiations, of the imperial government of Japan upon the armed forces of the United States at Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Islands. Within 24 hours the Congress of the United States met the challenge and forthwith declared war on Japan, followed quickly by a similar declaration against Germany.

As if by magic millions of the flower of American youth and manhood rushed to the defense of the nation and from thence on carried its flag to every clime and outpost of the world to a successful end, ever imbued with that irresistible spirit that has been symbolic of the triumph of American arms throughout our history as a free nation.

Now that the war is over it is fitting that Hamilton set apart a day on which our fellow-citizens may unite in paying tribute to our returning heroes and extending a heartfelt welcome home to those who have stood on the firing line to guard and protect us and have successfully said to the enemy "thou shalt not pass."

In commemoration therefore of the happy return of the hundreds of men and women who answered their country's call, we Edward A. DeWitt, Lawrence R. Stone and Everett F. Haley, selectmen of the Town of Hamilton, and in accordance with the customs of a free people, hereby proclaim Saturday, August 17, 1946, as

WELCOME HOME DAY

and we request and urge that all places of business be closed on that day between the hours of 1 P. M. and 5 P. M.

GIVEN at the Executive Office of the Selectmen in the Town Hall, Hamilton, Massachusetts, this tenth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-six and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and seventieth:

EDWARD A. DEWITT,
LAWRENCE R. STONE.
EVERETT F. HALEY.

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE, *Town Clerk.*

GOD SAVE THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF THE VETERAN'S WELCOME HOME RECEPTION COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

In accordance with the vote of the last Annual Town Meeting authorizing the appointment by the Town Moderator of a committee of fifteen to provide and arrange for a suitable "Welcome Home Celebration" to the returning veterans of World War 2, your Committee so appointed submits herewith the following report.

Your Committee met for organization on April 12, 1946, at which time it was voted to have the reception on August 17, 1946, approximately the first anniversary of V. J. Day. This date would allow time for most of our veterans to have returned. The appropriation was $2,000.00 and it was decided to make the event a simple and dignified occasion in keeping with the best traditions of our town. Various sub-committees were appointed and for the following six weeks they devoted much time in preparing plans. The site selected was the High School Grounds where but a short time before the Town paid tribute to its gallant soldier, the late General George S. Patton, Jr.

Our Honor Roll contained the names of 339 residents (approximately 15% of our population at the outbreak of the war), many of whom were scattered in various parts of the world. An attempt was made to send an invitation to the reception to every person who entered the service as a resident of Hamilton. Our success in receiving acknowledgments from 275 servicemen and veterans was due in no small measure to the splendid co-operation of our town clerk, Francis H. Whipple.

Fortunately your Committee was able to procure a replica of the bronze medal which the Town had presented to the returning veterans of World War 1. A gold medal was presented to the nearest of kin of the eleven servicemen who gave their lives in the various branches of the armed forces.

PROGRAM

Concert — Luncheon

Lee's 102nd Infantry Band — 1:30 to 2:30

Invocation

Rev. Edward J. McLaughlin

Solo—"God Bless America" — Berlin

Mrs. Marie Kelliher

Remarks

John H. Perkins

Master of Ceremonies

Address

Maj. Gen. Sherman A. Miles

Guest Speaker

Our Departed

Master of Ceremonies

Solo—"Abide With Me" W. H. Monk

Mrs. Marie Kelliher

Presentation of Medals by Selectmen

Edward A. DeWitt, Chairman
Lawrence R. Stone
Everett F. Haley

National Anthem Keys

Mrs. Marie Kelliher

Baseball Games — 4:00 P. M.

Hamilton vs. Beverly Electrical Union

Dancing 8:00 P. M.

High School Auditorium Community House

IN MEMORIAM

CHARLES WHITNEY APPLETON
Ships Cook 3c — U. S. Navy

CHARLES SEWALL BARRELL
Pilot Officer — R. A. F.

HIRAM TUTTLE FOLSOM, JR.
Private — U. S. Army

JOHN ROBERT GRANT
Chief Gunners Mate — U. S. Navy

BERNARD PATRICK GREELEY
Technical Sergeant — U. S. Army

ROBERT DERWOOD HILLER
Sergeant — U. S. Army

GEORGE von LENGERKE MEYER, JR.
Lieutenant (j.g.) — U. S. Navy

SIDNEY BENEDICT MEYER
Private — U. S. Army

ALBERT HERMAN OSER
Staff Sergeant — U. S. Army

GEORGE SMITH PATTON, JR.
General — U. S. Army

JOHN LESLIE SMITH
Private — U. S. Army

A generous turnout of townspeople and the closing of many places of business gave the town a holiday air.

Your Committee is sincerely grateful to all those who cherish their town, its traditions and its future.

COMMITTEE

John H. Perkins, Chairman
Lawrence R. Stone, Secretary

Edward A. DeWitt
Everett F. Haley
Edgar D. Andrews
Lawrence Coolidge
Harold A. Daley
Miss Bernice Doucette
Donald P. Greeley
Dr. Henry F. Larchez
Finlay D. MacDonald
John H. Ostrum
Joseph Phaneuf
Benjamin G. Robertson
Miss Florence Stobbart

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Cemetery Commissioners submit herewith their report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

The maintenance of the cemetery this year required more man hours than in the past owing to the fact that our power mower, which was purchased in 1940, has worn out and was constantly breaking down. During these periods hand labor had to be resorted to to maintain the usual appearance of the cemetery. We have a new power mower ordered and hope to receive it by this spring.

We will ask the town meeting to transfer $300 from the Sale of Lot Fund to the Cemetery Department that we may construct more single graves, as we have only three available for sale at present. An article will be in the warrant covering this matter.

We wish at this time to thank Mr. Leland Thompson for his splendid cooperation in clearing the avenues of snow and other departments that assisted us in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE
JOHN T. WALKE
LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
Cemetery Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE WATER BOARD

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Board of Water Commissioners herewith submit their twelfth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1946.

This is the seventh full year of operations and the following report shows steady growth in the Water Department.

	1945	1946
Total number of services installed	10	23
Total number of service connections	507	534
Total number of hydrants	103	103
Total number of active services	436	470
Total Commitments	$8.315.93	$9,933.08
Total Expenditures	$4,828.38	$7,678.53
Total Pumpage (Gallons)	25,726,846	31,023,456
Largest single day pumpage (Gallons)	159,000	

Commitments continue to exceed the cost of operating the department and the payment of interest on the original installation loan. Had it not been necessary to purchase new meters and equipment for service installations at a cost of approximately $1,200.. such excess would have been greater than that of last year by a sizeable amount. Service installations must be considered as an investment for future revenue.

Due to insufficient funds several applications for service connections are being paid over for 1947.

Because of numerous applications for service connections, new buildings planned and the possibility of further construction, we feel that immediate steps should be taken to enlarge our source of water to ensure an adequate supply for future demands.

We are very fortunate in having J. Edward Cox continue with us as Water Superintendent. His mechanical ability and understanding of our water system has been extremely valuable and responsible for the efficient operation of the department.

We wish at this time to thank all who have assisted this department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN
RICHARD H. SMITH
CARL G. RICKER

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE WATER BOARD

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit a report of the activities of the Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1946.

During the past year 23 service connections were installed by the water department. Two services required the laying of considerable pipe on private property which was done under my supervision and at the expense of the customers.

The 103 town hydrants and 5 private hydrants were inspected and repairs made where needed. All meters were inspected during the year, and read quarterly; 24 meters were overhauled and repaired; 2 hydrants damaged by accident were repaired. Samples of town water were periodically sent to the State Health Department for examination.

Some meters were damaged by freezing due to customers leaving the property without heat during cold weather. It would be of great benefit if such users of town water would notify me if they plan to leave the house without heat so that the water can be shut off and the meter properly drained, thereby eliminating damage and possible flooding of the cellar.

Complaints continue to be received regarding charges for excess water. I have investigated every such complaint and in every instance have found that a leak in the plumbing was the cause, and in most cases water leaked by in the toilet flush box. Several thousand gallons of water will pass through a very small leak in the course of a few days.

Periodic inspections have been made of the pumping equipment, and records kept of the amount of water pumped at all times. Six million more gallons were pumped in 1946 than in the previous year.

The assistance rendered by the Water Commissioners and townspeople has been most generous and greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD COX,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON PLANNING BOARD

Your Planning Board, after some years of inactivity necessitated by the war, has been actively engaged in 1946-47 working for the Town, and has given first priority to zoning. This project of zoning was considered to be the most important within the jurisdiction of the Board, due to the anticipated releasing of many government restrictions which would permit promiscuous developments in such localities as ours. Zoning provides the framework for the future planning and progress of the town, and should be our first step.

With the fundamental belief in mind that the Town wishes to retain its general character as a residential town, your Board conducted an extensive study of various zoning by-laws now in effect throughout the State. The members of the Board also discussed the project with as many residents as they could, and the first draft of the proposed by-law was published the latter part of January, 1947. The members of the Board have appeared before organized groups in Hamilton, and from these and the Public Hearing held February 12, 1947, valuable constructive suggestions were received. A revised zoning by-law was then drawn up and circulated to every home, after which an open Public Meeting was held February 26th.

The final zoning by-law which your Board is submitting to the Town for adoption is in its opinion a fair one, which should protect the Town and its residents from speculative or obnoxious outside encroachment, but at the same time permit healthy growth. It is the conviction of your Board that the adoption of this zoning by-law by the Town is imperative now. If it should be delayed, harm to the town and to many of its residents may result.

At the risk of a somewhat lengthy report, your Board is listing below some of the objectives of the by-law. It will:

(1) Protect a home owner from having his home impaired by an undesirable business on an adjoining lot or an injurious change in the character of the neighborhood.

(2) Protect the Town and the home owners from speculative land development schemes, putting desirable building land into cramped developments or multifamily tenements which tend to bring a drifting population.

(3) Serve to make the Town attractive and a good place in which to live and to bring up children.

(4) Provide adequate open space so that buildings cannot be built too near the street or be placed so close together as to cut off each other's sunlight and air.

We should also like to mention a few things which the proposed by-law does not do:

(1) It does not change any existing building or alter the present use of any property or land. Whatever is being done now may be continued regardless of the district in which the building or property is located.

(2) It does not impose any limit upon the cost of a house or other building whether it be large or small.

(3) It does not prevent growth of business in the Town. Plenty of room has been provided in districts designated for business for many years to come.

(4) It does not prevent the use of a less than minimum size lot already in existence. A lot of less than minimum size may be built on or may be sold and the buyer may build on it.

It should be pointed out that this by-law may be amended at any Town Meeting.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank the many organizations in the Town which have been so helpful, and also to extend our appreciation to the State Planning Board and to Mr. Allen Benjamin of that Board whose constructive suggestions have been most helpful.

We recommend and sincerely hope that the proposed by-law be adopted at the Town Meeting to be held March 3, 1947.

JOHN R. HOLLISTER, Chairman
STANDISH BRADFORD
FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN
RICHARD H. SMITH
M. KEITH LANDER

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The Board of Selectmen herewith submit its report for the year 1946.

During the past year we have had the upstairs hall in the town hall repainted and the floor sanded and refinished. This has brightened up and greatly improved its appearance. New concrete front steps have been constructed at the town hall, but due to weather conditions, are not yet finished. During the past three years a portion of the inside of the town hall has been refinished. The "Community Room" and the back stairway remain to be done, but we feel that this work can be postponed for another year.

On three separate occasions it was necessary to replace glass in the windows of the Adelaide D. Walsh School. This expense could have been avoided as the glass was broken by the throwing of rocks. It would seem that persons would have enough civic pride to discourage destruction of town property.

At the suggestion of the Welcome Home Celebration Committee, the Board issued a proclamation setting aside August 17, 1946, as "Welcome Home Day." All places of business were urged and requested to remain closed from one to five o'clock in the afternoon. All business establishments and townspeople were very cooperative in carrying out this request. An account of the Welcome Home Reception to Veterans of World War 2 has been made by the Committee and will be found elsewhere in the town report.

An appropriation was made at the annual meeting for Chapter 90 Maintenance to be used in conjunction with State and County funds. Because both the State and County decided not to participate in Chap. 90 road maintenance, it seemed advisable to make the appropriation available for use by the highway department for doing such work. This was done at the special town meeting held August 8th.

Because of many requests for all-night police protection, the matter was brought before the townspeople at the special town meeting held August 8th. The sum of $1500.00 was made available by the meeting for this increased protection for the balance of the year. The 1947 budget to be presented to the annual town meeting will include an appropriation to continue this protection during 1947.

Unavoidable changes by the manufacturer in the dimensions and pumping capacity of the fire apparatus on order has resulted in a larger piece of equipment being provided at no additional cost to the town. This change did necessitate an addition to the engine house, for which money was made available at the secial meeting. The addition is practically completed, and delivery of the apparatus is expected by April 1st.

Due to a delay in preparing plans and specifications, the contract for Chapter 90 Construction on Asbury Street, was not awarded until December. Sebastian Triconi of Waltham was awarded the contract, and will start work as soon as conditions permit in the spring.

Petitions for the laying-out of "North Street," "Perkins Avenue" and "Lake Drive" were received. These proposed streets were surveyed and plans prepared, and the matter of acceptance by the town will be brought before the 1947 annual town meeting.

The Town has been offered the first refusal of buying that section of the road-bed of the abandoned Essex Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad from Miles River, along the meadow and property now used by the Water Department. After considering the matter, this Board is of the opinion that it would be advisable for the town to purchase this strip of land. The matter will be brought before the annual meeting for consideration.

Perambulation of the Hamilton-Essex, Hamilton-Wenham and Hamilton-Manchester town bounds was completed by the Selectmen of the respective towns during the year.

We bring to the attention of Veterans of World War 2 that the Board has an up-to-date system for recording discharges, and urge that any Veteran who has not already done so, have his discharge recorded in the town records. This may prove of value to the Veteran in years to come should an attested copy be desired, or in case the original is lost. At the present time 116 discharges have been recorded. This is approximately one third of the veterans entering the service from Hamilton.

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 599 of the Acts of 1946, Edward A. DeWitt has been appointed Director of Veterans' Services. This act provides for the furnishing of such information, advice and assistance to veterans as may be necessary to enable them to procure the benefits to which they are or may be entitled relative to employment, hospitalization, medical care, pensions and other veterans benefits.

We sincerely appreciate the generous and valuable service rendered by Robert B. Walsh, our town counsel. He has devoted much of his time in the interest of the town, in both legal and non-legal matters. The assistance rendered by all town officials and townspeople has been very cooperative and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. DEWITT
LAWRENCE R. STONE
EVERETT F. HALEY
Board of Selectmen.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton*:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in election and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the third day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-seven (March 3, 1947), at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening (7:30 P. M.) then and there to act on the following articles, viz.

Article 1. To bring your ballots for:

Moderator for one year.
Town Clerk for one year.
Three Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare for one year.
Treasurer for one year.
Tax Collector for one year.
One Assessor for three years.
One Highway Surveyor for one year.
One Tree Warden for one year.
Three Constables for one year.
One member of the School Committee for three years.
One member of the School Committee for two years.
One member of the School Committee for one year.
One member of the School Committee for two years (Unexpired term).
One Library Trustee for three years.
One Park Commissioners for three years.
One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
One Water Commissioner for three years.
One member of the Planning Board for five years.

And vote on the following Question:—

Part 1. Shall the town vote that the office of town accountant be placed within the classified civil service? Yes.....No.....

Part 2. If it is voted to place the office of town accountant within the classified civil service, shall the town vote to provide for the continuance in said office of Francis H. Whipple, the present incumbent thereof, after passing a qualifying examination? Yes.....No.....

The above named officers and question to be voted for on one ballot on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March, 1947 (March 11, 1947). The polls will be opened at 5.45 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 4.00 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town shall determine.

Article 3. To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways and all other town expenses and determine the manner of expending same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $10,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Maturing Debt, or take any action thereon.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, the sum of $3,125.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, the sum of $1,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to make certain repairs to the grass and cannon at the Memorial Green arising from damage by an automobile on or about April 3, 1946, and that $89.79 received by the town for damage sustained be applied to and used by the town in payment for repair of such damage, or take any action thereon.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, for the protection of the Hamilton town water system, a certain strip or parcel of land situated on the northeasterly side of Bridge street, in said Hamilton, being a portion of the now discontinued Essex Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad, containing about 16,400 square feet, as shown substantially on a plan now on file in the office of the town clerk, raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 therefor, or take any action thereon.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to purchase and acquire a new combination cruiser and ambulance for the police department, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to School Cafeteria—High the sum of $1,229.18 from the various unexpended balances of the sums of money raised and appropriated under Article 4 for the annual town meeting held March 7, 1946, to wit:

Special School Painting High, Interior	797.83
" Outside Painting, High	239.50
" Gym Steam Pipe and Wiring, High	86.85
" Gym Roof Waste Pipe	75.00
" Ceilings, Lamson	30.00
	$1,229.18

or take any action thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $300.00 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to a Special Cemetery Account to be expended by the Cemetery Commissioners for improvements of the cemetery, or take any action thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk with a "hot-top," or other similar surface, along the northeasterly side of Asbury street, from Main street to Highland street, and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 therefor, or take any action thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on the northwesterly side of Willow street, from Rust street to Asbury street, such construction to include the installation of curbing at street corners, and the sidewalk surface to be of a permanent nature, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to build, grade, drain and oil Savoy road and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway surveyor, or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to receive the report of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Memorial Committee printed in the anaual town report, as a report of progress, to increase the membership of the committee to nine, to be appointed by the Moderator, and that they be authorized to employ and compensate architects and civil engineers to prepare plans and specifications for a field house on the playground, raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 therefor and other expenses of the committee, or take any action thereon.

Article 17. To consider the final report with recommendations of the Planning Board, including a proposed zoning by-law and map originally establishing the boundaries of zoning districts in the town and the regulations and restrictions to be enforced therein, copies of which will be filed with the Town Clerk prior to the meetings, and to see if the town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning by-law and map recommended in such report of the Planning Board or to take any other action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of money for the state and county share of Chapter 90 Highway maintenance and Construction.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to make certain repairs and alterations in the Adelaide Dodge Walsh School in East Hamilton, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote that the Adelaide Dodge Walsh schoolhouse building and appurtenances thereto at East Hamilton be used by the town for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for Augustus P. Gardner Post 194, American Legion, to be under the direction and control of such post and subject to regulations approved by the town, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon, in compliance with section 9, Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Terc. Ed., and amendments thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of North street, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Barkley W. Tree and others.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Lake Drive, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Theodore E. Johnson and others.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Perkins avenue, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Guy A. Crosby and others.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law: "No person shall drive, wheel, draw or park a bicycle upon a sidewalk of the town," or take any action thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote that the custody, care, supervision and maintenance of the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot be vested in the School Committee with all the powers and duties incident thereto, or take any action thereon.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to reduce the number of the members of the school committee from five to three, such vote to go into effect at the annual town election of the annual town meeting to be held in March, 1948, or take any action thereon.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to change the present voting hours for the election of town officers at the annual town meeting, as now provided for in section 1 of chapter 1 of the town by-laws, from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M. by amending said by-law, or take any action thereon.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to name the property at Chebacco Lake accepted by the town as a gift from F. H. Prince under article 18 of the annual town meeting of 1926, Robert B. Walsh Park, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the Park Commissioners.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which as Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 31. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, and one at each of the three postoffices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 27th day of January, A. D. 1947.

LAWRENCE R. STONE
EVERETT F. HALEY
EDWARD A. DEWITT
Selectmen of Hamilton.

A true copy. Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Voters of Hamilton:

Your Finance and Advisory Committee during the past three months carefully examined the budget estimates requested from all Town Departments and checked them with 1946 expenditures for comparison. We have also personally interviewed many of the Department heads, representatives of or entire Committees to determine actual needs. In spite of the cooperation of some departments to reduce original estimates we find the 1947 budget as recommended to be $41,456.26 in excess of the 1946 appropriation.

Considering all known factors at this writing indications are that the tax rate will increase approximately $6.00 and when combined with a slight upward revision of valuation, property owners of Hamilton are faced with a substantial increase in their tax bills. The actual rate however depends partly on whether we experience more snow storms and also whether the Town decides to follow closely the recommendations of this committee. Moreover, the anticipated higher tax rate is likely to continue for some time to come and possibly may even be again raised unless careful thought and planning are exercised by the Town Authorities.

Previous Finance and Advisory Committee reports have stressed the need for sound financing and the sparing use of the Revenue Surplus account (commonly referred to as the Excess and Deficiency Account). We definitely feel that this account should be built up to a figure which will be of real value to the taxpayers in more difficult times, when it can be used as a cushion to prevent extremely high taxes when surplus revenue may be reduced simultaneously with an increase in welfare costs. During the past three years this account has experienced a net reduction at the rate of $13,250 per year and the surplus revenue has been at a high figure. At this rate of its use it would be entirely depleted in about four more years.

Your Committee believes that all citizens of the Town should understand and follow closely town appropriations and expenditures throughout the year as well as at Town Meeting. To this end this report presents the factors calling for requests for the larger appropriations.

1. Increases in salaries and wages of Town employees.

2. Extension of public services, particularly police protection, water supply, streets and sidewalks.

3. Park and recreational activities.

4. Veterans' services.

Which we detail as follows:

1. *Increases in salaries and wages of Town employees.*

a. *Employees other than those of the School Department.*

In 1944 the Town granted a 15% temporary increase in the salaries of employees other than those of the School Department. This increase has been continued on a temporary basis since then, and in a few instances the annual town meeting has voted salaries somewhat in excess of the flat 15% raise. Therefore, this year some departments have requested further increases. Your Finance Committee believes that the salaries requested for this year are reasonable. It recommends that the "temporary" increases be considered permanent and that at the same time the odd dollars and cents brought about by applying a straight 15% to previous salaries be rounded off to the next highest $5 or $10. The effect of this, and of the other salary increases requested, effects only a slight increase in the tax rate.

b. *School Department Employees.*

One of the principal problems confronting the Town this year is that of school teachers' salaries. It is generally admitted that teachers' salaries should be increased, and throughout the State and nation steps are being taken to this end. Your Finance Committee feels that Hamilton should join in this movement.

The question of how much of an increase should be granted is not so easily settled. The importance of a competent, loyal and stable teaching force is recognized by all, and salaries should be sufficient to enable the Town to maintain a force of this kind. The present scarcity of competent teachers, however, should not be permitted to stampede the Town into establishing salary precedents and salary scales that are far out of line with those of other towns comparable to Hamilton, or that represent unsound salary practices. Your Finance Committee feels that unless the Town gives careful consideration to this matter this year, such may be the case.

In considering salary scales and percentage increases, it is often customary to use the year 1941 or 1942 as a base of comparison with present day salaries. In the case of the Hamilton teachers this is difficult because many were not employed by this town until later. The following table of teachers' salaries illustrates this, and other points worthy of consideration.

Salaries of Hamilton School Teachers including requested increases.

1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	* Jan. 1 1947	Increase over 1946	** Sept. 1 1947
$1550.	$1600.	$1650.	$1750.	$1800.	$1950.	$2400.	$450.	$2600.
			2200.	2250.	2400.	2600.	200.	2800.
				1800.	1950.	2400.	450.	2600.
	1400.	1400.			2450.	2700.	250.	2900.
		1300.	1400.	1700.	1850.	2200.	350.	2400.
1750.	1750.	1800.	1900.	1950.	2100.	2500.	400.	2700.
						2400.		2600.
1650.	1850.	2000.	2150.	2250.	2400.	2800.	400.	3000.
		1700.	1800.	2000.	2250.	2600.	350.	2800.
					2000.	2200.	200.	2400.
1600.	1600.	1650.	1850.	2000.	2250.	2600.	350.	2800.
					1700.	1900.	200.	2100.
					1500.	2100.	600.	2300.
1375.	1450.	1500.	1600.	1700.	1900.	2300.	400.	2500.
1375.	1450.	1500.	1600.	1700.	2100.	2300.	200.	2500.
					1400.	1900.	500.	2100.
			1500.	1600.	1750.	2300.	550.	2500.
1450.	1550.	1600.	1700.	1800.	2000.	2475.	475.	2675.
					2300.	2300.	0.	2500.
				1500.	1650.	2000.	350.	2200.
			3600.	4000.	4400.	4800.	400.	5000.

* The above schedule of salaries indicates substantial percentage increases, which are approved by Finance Committee.

** Flat $200 increase. The Finance Committee is not in accord with this.

It will be observed that the School Committee has already promised the teachers raises, effective as of January 1 this year, ranging up to $600, and is also asking for a further flat $200 increase effective Sept. 1, 1947.

The first increase, that to be effective Jan. 1, 1947, represents an effort to adjust salaries to present day conditions, and at the same time give weight to each teacher's qualifications and effort to make himself more proficient, and valuable to the Town. In some cases these adjustments involve an increase of approximately $1000 over the 1941 salaries. Your Finance Committee feels that this part of the proposed salary scale is liberal and reasonable, and recommends that it be approved.

However, it would appear that the efforts to adjust salaries on the basis of merit and worth of each teacher, and in such a way as to recognize efforts at self-improvement and afford a systematic method of salary progression, are nullified by the proposed blanket increase of $200 next September. For that reason your Finance Committee does not favor this blanket increase. It feels that further increases, when justified, should be made in accordance with a carefully considered plan, due weight being given to the factors mentioned above and to the establishment of maximum figures compatible with salaries in nearby communities.

The increases recommended to be effective Jan. 1 and listed above total $7,075 per year. Other salary increases (for the clerk, janitors, etc.) raise the total to $8,885, which is in the vicinity of $1.80 on the tax rate.

2. *Extension of Public Services.*

Last summer it was recognized that greater police protection in the Town was desirable, and plans were carried out to increase the hours of duty and of patrol by the police force. It is felt that this was a move in the right direction, and the police budget this year is designed to permit the continuation of this system. It also provides for the purchase of a Town-owned police car to replace the present private car used for police purposes and to serve as a combination police patrol car and ambulance. The added cost to the Town for the regular services will be about $2250.

The combined effect of increased salary and labor costs, proposed extension of water mains, and the sinking of test wells to check our sources of water supply add some $3000 to the Water Department's budget as compared with last year's figure.

Salaries and wages have gone up in the Highway Department, as well as the cost of materials. Deferred maintenance of existing streets calls for a program larger this year than last, the regular budget being some $3000 higher. There are also articles in the warrant which may add to the cost of streets and sidewalks. The time is approaching when the Town should consider adding a roller to the Highway Department's equipment; but in view of the large increase in the Town's total expenditures this year, the Finance Committee feels that this particular item can well be postponed for a year or so, particularly since the Committee has not been persuaded that economies will be affected by the purchase of a roller.

3. *Parks and Recreational Activities.*

One of the large factors in increased Town expenses is the expansion of park and recreational activities. Up to two years ago, the Park Department's budget was only a few hundred dollars a year. Last year this Department spent $6,255, and its budget this year is $7,402. Much of last year's expenditures came from the excess and deficiency fund, which can no longer be counted on for this purpose. The Finance Committee is in complete accord with the idea of providing suitable and reasonable recreational opportunities for the Town; but in any consideration of Town finances, the effect, especially on the long term maintenance expenses, of extensive park and playground developments, cannot be overlooked.

4. *Veterans' Services.*

The Adelaide Dodge Walsh School in East Hamilton has not been used for school purposes for years. Meantime the physical condition of the building has deteriorated to such an extent that repairs are necessary if the building is to be used again. An article in the warrant calls for the expenditure of $10,000 to put this school building in good condition, inside and out.

The repairs and remodelling will be done so that the building will be suitable as quarters for the A. P. Gardner Post of the American Legion to whom it will be loaned rent free until the Town may need to use it again.

Above are described briefly some of the principal factors causing a higher tax rate for 1947. Last year the excess and deficiency fund was

seriously depleted by the regular and special town meetings and no longer does it afford a reservoir to cushion our tax rate. Your Finance Committee believes that it will not be possible to avoid a substantial increase in the tax rate this year, but it recommends that with the practical certainty of a higher rate continuing into the next few years, at least, the Town attempt to so program its expenditures as to avoid, as much as feasible, drastic changes. This thought has been uppermost in the discussions between the Finance Committee and the various Town Departments, and practically all Departments have co-operated cordially and whole-heartedly with the Finance Committee to this end.

1947		1946 Appropriation	1947 Recommended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Moderator			
Finance and Advisory Committee			
Expenses		$ 15 00	$ 15 00
Selectmen, Salaries		1150 00	1150 00
Chairman	$460		
Other Members	345 each		
Expenses		1650 00	1450 00
Accountant, Salary		1552 50	1700 00
Expenses		147 50	135 00
Treasurer, Salary		920 00	1080 00
Expenses		265 00	275 00
Tax Collector, Salary		1265 00	1265 00
Expenses		450 00	400 00
Assessors, Salaries		920 00	975 00
Chairman	$425		
Other Members	275 each		
Wages		1250 00	1040 00
Expenses		410 00	390 00
Law, Salary		690 00	700 00
Town Clerk, Salary		747 50	1000 00
Expenses		727 50	325 00
Election and Registration		1300 00	900 00
Town Hall, Salary		1380 00	1400 00
Expenses		1320 00	1300 00
Special Repairs		(2000 00)	
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY			
Police, Salary of Chief			2600 00
Wages, Constable and Special Officers			3730 00
Expenses			910 00
Salaries, Wages and Expenses		3490 00	
Special Town Meeting		(1500 00)	
Fire		3000 00	3200 00
Special, New Hose			600 00
Special, New Truck		(10000 00)	
Special Town Meeting		(3000 00)	
Transferred from Reserve		(856 25)	
Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary		230 00	230 00
Expenses		100 00	100 00

	1946 Appropriation	1947 Recommended
Moth—Town, Salary of Superintendent	1080 00	1216 00
Wages	1003 00	1150 00
Expenses	617 00	802 00
Special, New Hose	150 00	
Moth—Private Property, Salary of Supt.	350 00	432 00
Wages	525 00	418 00
Expenses	325 00	350 00
Tree Warden, Salary of Superintendent	650 00	768 00
Wages	860 00	864 00
Expenses	90 00	100 00
Forest Fire Warden, Salary	34 50	40 00
Expenses	50 00	40 00
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
Salaries	115 00	120 00
Chairman $60		
Other Members 30 each		
Wages	57 50	60 00
Expenses	4527 50	5620 00
Special Town Meeting	(800 00)	
Dental Clinic, Salary of Dental Nurse		200 00
Expenses	2200 00	2000 00
Inspector of Animals, Salary	86 25	90 00
Expenses	53 75	50 00
HIGHWAYS		
Salary of Supt. and Surveyor	2600 00	2800 00
Wages of Truck Drivers and helpers	6681 60	7944 00
Labor and Expenses	5718 40	7868 40
Chapter 90—Maintenance	(800 00)	(1000 00)
Chapter 90—Construction	(4000 00)	(3125 00)
Snow Removal and Sanding	6500 00	5000 00
Street Lighting	7200 00	7500 00
CHARITIES		
Public Welfare, Salaries	115 00	120 00
Chairman $60		
Other Members 30 each		
Wages	57 50	60 00
Expenses	4327 50	5320 00
Old Age Assistance	12000 00	14000 00
Special Town Meeting	(800 00)	
Old Age—Administration	1000 00	1000 00
Aid to Dependent Children	1400 00	1200 00
" " " " Administrator salary	25 00	25 00
Veterans Benefits	700 00	700 00
State and Military Aid (included above for 1947)	200 00	
EDUCATION		
Schools, Salaries and Expenses	*63334 65	**77228 70
" Transferred from Reserve	(328 60)	

		1946 Appropriation	1947 Recommended
Schools, Specials			
Vocational		(500 00)	88 50
Cafeteria—High School		2600 00	♯2270 82
Cafeteria—Lamson School		2600 00	3500 00
Shades—Lamson School		35 00	
°Shades—High School		25 00	
Painting Interior High School		1500 00	
Gym Floor Repairs " "		150 00	95 00
Commercial Dept. Equipment, High		550 00	455 00
Leakage Repairs		100 00	100 00
Gym, Steam Pipe and Wiring High		300 00	
Painting Outside Trim High		500 00	
°Waterproofing High		500 00	
Gym Roof and Waste Pipe		75 00	
Grate and Blower—Lamson		35 00	
S. S. B. Emergency Lighting Unit		88 00	
Roof—Lamson		Add'l 450 00	575 00 (add'l) (total $2875)
Ceiling, Lamson		30 00	
Vacuum System Repairs			40 00
Tile in Gym—High			125 00
New Machinery—High			45 00
New Machinery—Lamson			72 00
Painting, Basement, Lamson			1000 00
Libraries, Salaries		919 92	975 00
Main Library	$600		
Branch "	375		
Wages		35 00	35 00
Expenses		1595 08	1645 00
Recreation			
Parks—Salary of Supt.			2250 00
" " Instructors		3150 00	450 00
Labor and Expenses			1645 00
Transferred from Reserve		(405 82)	
Specials		2700 00	
Power Mower Extras			324 00
Baseball Field			1000 00
" Backstop			600 00
" Field Bases, Plate & Bench			65 00
Electrical Work			275 00
Engineering			300 00
Concrete Drain, Labor and Material			200 00
Hose			293 00
Public Service Enterprise			
Water Department—Salary of Supt.		2340 00	2600 00
Clerk—Salary		500 00	500 00
Wages and Expenses		4095 00	6655 00
Special—Gardner Street			450 00
" —Engineering and Testing Wells			1000 00
" —New Equipment		800 00	
" —Overdraft 1945		(346 11)	

	1946 Appropriation	1947 Recommended
Cemetery—Salaries of Commissioners	51 75	75 00
Chairman and Other Members—$25 each		
Clerk—Salary	87 50	100 00
Wages and Expenses	2010 75	2000 00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Town Reports	631 13	700 00
Town Clock	100 00	100 00
Welcome Home Celebration	(2000 00)	
Transferred from Reserve	(285 54)	
Memorial Day	400 00	450 00
Transferred from Reserve	(15 85)	
American Legion	300 00	300 00
Insurance	1380 00	1200 00
Transferred from Reserve	(57 94)	
Planning Board		500 00
Transferred from Reserve	(50 00)	
Reserve Fund for Emergencies	(2000 00)	2000 00
Maturing Debt	(10000 00)	(10000 00)
Interest	1750 00	1510 00
Total above Items from Tax Levy	$179,617 05	$210,519 42
Special Articles in Warrant, Tax Levy	9,246 11	est. 19,800 00
Appropriations using available funds	24,500 00	11,669 45
Special Town Meeting	6,100 00	
Total	$219,463 16	$241,988 87

* Includes Dog Tax $381 23
** Plus Dog Tax $440 27
‡ Plus Article No. II in Warrant $1229 18
° Unexpended 1946—carried over to 1947
( )—not included in above Tax Levy Total.

Special articles in the Town Warrant calling for specific appropriations or use of available funds not included in the above totals, of which we approve are numbers 5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-18-19 and 20.

No definite estimate has been made to us on article No. 15 at this writing.

Article 16—The Finance Committee recommends that the Town appropriate $500 to investigate the practicability of erecting a Field House on the George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park and if found desirable to draw up plans and specifications therefore.

Respectfully Submitted:

THEODORE A. HOLLAND, Chairman
JOHN KING
PERCIVAL D. WHIPPLE
JOHN R. HOLLISTER
FREDERIC WINTHROP, JR.

REPORT

of the

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

1946

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1946, showing the amount and source of all receipts, the amount of appropriations and expenditures therefrom, the purpose for which money was spent, town indebtedness and condition of trust funds.

Although the law provides that such statement shall be in accordance with classifications prescribed by the director of accounts, I have further extended the classification of expenditures to make such information readily available to those who desire it. Any additional information will be gladly given to all residents of the town upon calling at the office.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the town officials and the citizens of Hamilton for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Previous Year:		
Personal	308 40	
Real Estate	8,214 44	
Motor Vehicle Excise	90 41	
		8,613 25
Current Year:		
Poll	1,042 00	
Personal	14,351 68	
Real Estate	118,581 99	
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,647 21	
		137,622 88

Licenses

Alcoholic Beverages:		
Package Goods Store	450 00	
Restaurant—All Alcoholic	700 00	
Club	100 00	
Common Victulars	6 00	
Lord's Day	16 00	
Oleomargerine	1 00	
Peddler's	2 00	
Junk Collector's	23 00	
Auto Dealer, 1st Class	2 00	
Auto Dealer, 2nd Class	4 00	
Taxi	1 00	
Revolver	16 00	
Milk	11 00	
		1,332 00

Grants and Gifts

From State:		
Corporation Tax	10,871 69	
Income Tax	24,515 00	
Highway Fund Distributor's	5,355 37	
State Owned Lands	2,124 00	
Old Age Meals Tax	657 58	
Vocational Education	186 10	
		43,709 74
From County:		
Dog License Refund	381 23	
Court Fines	20 00	
Reimbursement from Dog Fund	24 00	
		425 23
Carried forward		$191,703 10

Brought forward			$191,703 10
	Special Assessments		
Moth			
1945 Assessment	32 20		
1946 Assessment	887 00		
		919 20	
	Protection of Persons and Property		
Sealer Fees	28 58		
		28 58	
	Health		
Reimbursement by Individuals	457 50		
State Subsidy	52 86		
Dental Clinic	575 00		
		1,085 36	
	Public Welfare		
Temporary Aid			
From State	668 82		
		668 82	
Old Age Assistance			
From State	8,686 94		
From Cities and Towns	145 76		
From Individuals	196 70		
		9,029 40	
Aid to Dependent Children			
From State	648 21		
		648 21	
Federal Grants			
Old Age Assistance	7,966 96		
Old Age Administration	266 55		
Aid to Dependent Children	549 00		
Aid to Dep. Children Admin.	37 09		
		8,849 60	
	Veteran's Benefits		
From State			
State Aid	120 00		
War Allowance	72 25		
		192 25	
Carried forward			$213,124 52

Brought forward			$213,124 52
Schools			
Tuition	254 00		
Cafeteria—High	1,707 41		
Cafeteria—Lamson	2,237 32		
Manual Training	1 00		
		4,199 73	
Public Library			
Fines	2 47		
		2 47	
Water Department			
Meter Rates	9,494 71		
Services	548 96		
		10,043 67	
Cemetery			
Sale of Lots and Graves	620 00		
Care of Lots and Graves	397 75		
Opening Graves	247 00		
Care of Endowed Lots	451 00		
		1,715 75	
Interest			
On Taxes and Assessments	184 05		
Poll (Demands)	31 50		
		215 55	
Refunds			
Departmental	116 28		
		116 28	
Agency and Trust			
Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,550 00		
Withholding Tax	5,985 90		
Dog Licenses for County	597 60		
		8,133 50	
Miscellaneous			
Insurance—High School Fire Damage	572 37		
Tax Title Redemption	161 63		
Interest and Costs	14 59		
Tailings	19 25		
Rent of Town Hall	30 00		
Highway Guard Rail Damage	10 00		
		807 84	
Total Receipts 1946			$238,359 31
Balance, Cash Jan. 1, 1946			70,199 51
			$308,558 82

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Salaries:			
Edward A. DeWitt	460 00		
Lawrence R. Stone	345 00		
Everett F. Haley	276 36		
John H. Perkins	68 64		
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	57 50		
Jessie Cunningham, Clerical Work	640 00		
		1,847 50	
Other Expenses:			
Printing, Postage, Supplies	49 10		
Law Books	30 00		
Association Dues	9 00		
Decorating for Welcome Home Day	40 00		
Perambulating Bounds	130 98		
Adding Names on Honor Roll	13 50		
Surveying	475 00		
Replacing glass at Walsh School	69 31		
		816 89	
			2,664 39

Accounting

Salary:			
Francis H. Whipple, Accountant	1,552 50	1,552 50	
Expenses:			
Supplies, Forms, Postage	110 87		
Adding Machine service and repairs	23 40		
		134 27	
			1,686 77

Treasury

Salary:			
Walfred B. Sellman, Treasurer	920 00	920 00	
Expenses:			
Surety Bond	99 50		
Burglary Insurance	35 00		
Envelopes, Postage, Supplies	121 20		
Association Dues	1 00		
		256 70	
			1,176 70
Carried forward			$5,527 86

Brought forward			$5,527 86
COLLECTOR			
Salary:			
Bertha L. Crowell, Collector	1,265 00	1,265 00	
Expenses:			
Surety Bond	133 65		
Deputy Collector's Bond	5 00		
Burglary Insurance	35 00		
Printing, Postage. Supplies	197 30		
Typewriter Service	6 50		
Association Dues	1 00		
Deputy Collector's Fees	5 00		
		383 45	
			1,648 45
ASSESSORS			
Salaries:			
Jesse S. Mann	402 50		
Robert H. Chittick	258 75		
Donald G. Trussell	258 75		
		920 00	
Outside Assessing:			
Jesse S. Mann	226 50		
Robert H. Chittick	226 25		
Donald G. Trussell	196 00		
		648 75	
Clerical Work:			
Jesse S. Mann	126 50		
Robert H. Chittick	80 50		
Donald G. Trussell	86 25		
Bertha L. Crowell	153 05		
Lilla S. Turner	12 75		
		459 05	
Expenses:			
Transportation	108 75		
Abstracts and Recordings	74 93		
Typewriter	65 00		
Clerical Assistance	50 35		
Books, Forms, Supplies	100 72		
Association Dues and Expenses	10 00		
		409 75	
			2,437 55
FINANCE COMMITTEE			
Association Dues	10 00		10 00
Carried forward			$9,623 86

Brought forward			$9,623 86
Law Department			
Salary:			
Robert B. Walsh, Town Counsel	690 00		690 00
Town Clerk			
Salary:			
Francis H. Whipple, Town Clerk	747 50	747 50	
Expenses:			
Printing, Postage, Supplies	89 81		
Abstracts and Recordings	18 00		
Typewriter Service	6 50		
Filing Equipment	165 45		
Association Dues	3 00		
Surety Bond	5 00		
		287 76	
			1,035 26
Election and Registration			
Salaries—Registrars of Voters:			
Frank W. Buzzell	57 50		
Mary T. Greeley	45 51		
David Q. Greeley	11 99		
Francis M. Burns	52 71		
Barbara A. Corcoran	2 40		
Francis H. Whipple	57 50		
		227 61	
Expenses:			
Election Officers	428 00		
Printing, Postage, Supplies	218 06		
Food	129 90		
Annual Listing	200 00		
Clerical Work	25 00		
		1,000 96	
			1,228 57
Town Hall			
Salary:			
George H. Haraden, Janitor	1,375 40	1,375 40	
Expenses:			
Coal	485 05		
Electric Current	209 40		
Telephone	138 16		
Water Rates	17 00		
Gas (auxiliary lighting)	7 80		
Painting and Carpentering	219 66		
Carried forward			$12,577 69

Brought forward			$12,577 69
Electrical Repairs	33 17		
Plumbing Repairs	17 43		
Roof Repairs	23 90		
Stoker Repairs and Service	39 10		
Janitors Supplies	45 73		
Tools, Flowers, Fertilizer, Seed	63 22		
Flag Pole Rope	12 60		
P. O. Box Rent	1 80		
		1,314 02	
			2,689 42
Town Hall Special			
Inside Painting and Front Steps			
Donald G. Trussell, Painting	1,652 00		1,652 00
Police			
Salaries:			
Edward Frederick, Chief	1,530 60		
Charles F. Poole	878 50		
Barkley W. Tree	574 00		
Hugh C. Wentworth	361 00		
John C. Back	318 50		
J. Stephen Sargent	204 10		
Other Officers	220 40		
		4,087 10	
Expenses:			
Rent	200 04		
Telephone	88 33		
Electric Current	30 58		
Fuel Oil	41 95		
Uniforms and Equipment	107 75		
Transportation	350 00		
Supplies	37 51		
Medical Treatment	2 00		
		858 16	
Dog Officer:			
J. Stephen Sargent, Dog Warrant	30 00	30 00	
			4,975 26
Fire			
Salaries and Wages:			
Firemen	1,838 22		
Drivers	220 00		
Care of Alarm and Equipment	200 00		
Janitor	200 00		
Clerk	50 00		
		2,508 22	
Carried forward			$21,894 37

Brought forward			$21,894 37
Apparatus and Equipment:			
Gas, Oil, Repairs of Apparatus	665 59		
Insurance	148 40		
		813 99	
Building and Grounds:			
Coal	161 21		
Domestic Gas	5 90		
Electric Current	55 86		
Water Rates	17 00		
Maintenance and Repairs	22 83		
		262 80	
Other Expenses:			
Telephone	113 40		
Chemicals and Supplies	69 26		
Relocating Alarm Box at Lamson School	30 83		
Repairs to Alarm	57 75		
		271 24	
			3,856 25
FIRE—SPECIAL APPROPRIATION			
Engine House Alterations			
Ray Thibedeau, Plans	60 00		60 00
MOTH			
Salaries and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	1,080 00		
Frederick Johnson	818 25		
Edward Manthorn	92 25		
Other Wages	92 06		
		2,082 56	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	137 95		
Truck Insurance	16 12		
Truck Storage	66 00		
Tools, Hose, Supplies	107 13		
Insectides	122 75		
Compensation Insurance	139 72		
Telephone	21 45		
Truck Hire	248 00		
Expenses, Moth Supt.'s Meetings	5 00		
		864 12	
			2,946 68
MOTH—SPECIAL			
New Hose			
Frank H. Albec, Hose	150 00		150 00
Carried forward			$28,907 30

Brought forward			$28,907 30
Moth—Private Property			
Salaries and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	350 00		
Frederick Johnson	252 00		
		602 00	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	27 25		
Repairs to Sprayer	17 70		
Insecticides	280 05		
		325 00	
			927 00
Tree Warden			
Salaries and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Tree Warden	650 00		
Frederick Johnson	396 00		
John Walke	90 00		
Winslow Dodge	272 00		
Other Wages	100 60		
		1,508 60	
Expenses:			
Tools and Supplies	27 29		
Compensation Insurance	50 00		
Trees	10 00		
		87 29	
			1,595 89
Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary:			
Erving O. Maxwell, Sealer	230 00	230 00	
Expenses:			
Transportation	80 82		
Supplies	19 18		
		100 00	
			330 00
Forest Warden			
Salary:			
Fred Berry, Forest Warden	34 50	34 50	
Expenses:			
Telephone	33 24	33 24	
			67 74
Carried forward			$31,827 93

Brought forward			$31,827 93
Health			
Salaries:			
Everett F. Haley	45 60		
Lawrence R. Stone	34 94		
Edward A. DeWitt	28 75		
John H. Perkins	5 71		
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	57 50		
		172 50	
Expenses:			
Office Supplies	22 61		
Abating Nuisances	13 40		
No Dumping Signs	45 95		
Diphtheria Inoculations and Tests	64 00		
Care of Patients at Essex San.	868 50		
Ernest M. Barker, Milk Inspector	57 50		
		1,071 96	
Collections:			
Frank Maione, Rubbish	950 40		
Welch & Lamson, Inc., Rubbish	1,062 88		
Arthur Cook, Garbage	2,183 28		
		4,196 56	
			5,441 02
Dental Clinic			
Dr. John King	1,880 00		
Florence Stobbart	172 50		
Insurance	10 00		
Supplies	6 00		
		2,068 50	2,068 50
Animal Inspector			
Ernest M. Barker, Inspector	86 25		
Transportation	50 00		136 25
Maintenance of Essex Sanatorium			
Treasurer of Essex County	2,181 05		2,181 05
Highways			
Salaries and Wages:			
Leland D. Thompson, Surveyor	2,600 00		
Frank C. Back	1,340 50		
Lewis K. Pierce	1,593 45		
Thomas Green	1,144 00		
Frank Manthorn	1,120 20		
Edward Frederick	741 00		
Robert Tucker	620 00		
Other Wages	368 00		
		9,527 15	
Carried forward			$41,654 75

Brought forward			$41,654 75
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	516 51		
Truck Insurance	166 60		
Truck Storage	70 00		
Road Oil	2,153 05		
Road Patching Material	872 01		
Gravel, Sand, Stone	679 24		
Pipe	98 11		
Bricks	84 30		
Lumber	32 02		
Tools and Supplies	124 49		
Catch Basin Frames and Grates	87 00		
Building Catch Basins	50 75		
Mowing Grass on Shoulders	40 00		
Roller Hire	260 73		
Grader Hire	140 00		
Gas shovel hire	453 00		
Trench digger hire	75 00		
Truck hire	88 00		
Surveying	100 00		
Compensation insurance	159 95		
Telephone	15 01		
Express and freight	4 90		
Signs	1 75		
		6,272 42	
			15,799 57

WALNUT ROAD SIDEWALK

Wages:			
Lewis K. Pierce	102 00		
Frank Manthorn	90 00		
Frank C. Back	84 00		
Robert Tucker	84 00		
Thomas Green	78 00		
		438 00	
Expenses:			
Charge by County for petition	3 00		
Advertising lay-out	11 00		
Surveying	85 00		
Drain pipe	285 32		
Catch basin covers & grates	142 15		
Brick and Cement	75 83		
Building catch basins	58 75		
Sand and gravel	12 91		
Carried forward			$57,454 32

Brought forward			$57,454 32
Gas for trucks	20 50		
Lanterns	10 65		
Trench digger hire	75 00		
Gas shovel hire	20 00		
		800 11	
			1,238 11

Chapter 90 Construction

Advertising for Bids	22 20		22 20

Snow Removal and Sanding

Wages:			
Lewis K. Pierce	388 00		
Frank C. Back	310 10		
Edward Frederick	364 50		
Thomas Green	228 15		
Arthur Hopping	246 48		
Other Wages	972 27		
		2,509 50	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	1,029 59		
Equipment and Repairs	726 96		
Storage of Trucks and Equipment	190 00		
Sand and Salt	591 96		
Compensation Insurance	200 00		
Shovels and Supplies	43 80		
Express	2 26		
Telephone	6 73		
Rent of Trucks and Teams	1,199 20		
		3,990 50	
			6,500 00

Street Lighting

Beverly Gas & Electric Co.	7,197 64		7,197 64

Public Welfare

Salaries and Wages:			
Lawrence R. Stone	51 78		
Edward A. DeWitt	28 75		
Everett F. Haley	23 04		
John H. Perkins	11 43		
Francis H. Whipple, Agent, Clerk	69 50		
		184 50	
Carried forward			$72,412 27

Brought forward			$72,412 27
Expenses:			
Cash Grants	2,920 15		
Coal, Wood, Oil	197 71		
Medical and Hospital	43 00		
Rents	117 50		
Infirmary Care	559 50		
Association Dues	2 00		
		3,839 86	
			4,024 36
Old Age Assistance			
Town Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	12,267 47		
Payments in behalf of Recipients	134 35		
Other Cities and Towns	398 18		
		12,800 00	
Federal Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	7,210 56		
Payments in behalf of Recipients	186 00		
Other Cities and Towns	71 36		
		7,467 92	
			20,267 92
Old Age Administration			
Town Funds:			
Francis H. Whipple, Agent	438 00		
Equipment and Supplies	53 70		
Transportation	40 26		
		531 96	
Federal Funds:			
Francis H. Whipple, Agent	204 00		
Equipment and Supplies	22 65		
Transportation	21 36		
		248 01	
			779 97
Aid to Dependent Children Assistance			
Town Funds:			
Cash Grants to Recipients	1,345 35	1,345 35	
Federal Funds:			
Cash Grant to Recipients	560 40	560 40	
			1,905 75
Aid to Dependent Children Administration			
Federal Funds:			
Equipment and Supplies	151 49		151 49
Carried forward			$99,541 76

Brought forward			$99,541 76

Veterans' Benefits

State Aid:			
Cash Grants	120 00	120 00	
Soldiers Relief:			
Cash Grants	52 00		
Medical and Hospital	296 87		
Office Supplies	25 00		
		373 87	
			493 87

SCHOOLS

General Administration

Elwin F. Towne, Supt.	4,133 28	
Elizabeth Edmondson, Sec.	1,666 64	
Telephone	151 22	
Office Supplies	89 54	
Traveling Expense	48 30	
Census	100 00	
Advertising	15 65	
		6,204 63

Teachers' Salaries

Edith Anderson	1,850 00
Wilbur Armstrong	2,300 00
Ruth Austen	1,850 00
Margaret Batchelder	1,766 60
Marion Batchelder	378 00
Doris Bennett	468 68
Warren Bennett	1,736 62
Millicent Boswell	1,749 92
Laura Boyd	1,512 51
Mary Donovan	1,000 00
Ellen Duffy	1,833 28
Harriet Erskine	466 64
Eleanor Gregory	1,000 00
Lydia Harmer	1,649 96
Elliott Hawkes	2,450 00
Jean Jacobs	1,066 64
Marion Joseph	1,866 64
Frank Malone	2,233 28
Carl Martini	2,083 28
John O'Neil	666 64
Hazel Ramer	2,066 60

Carried forward	$100,035 63

Brought forward			$100,035 63
Irene Thibedeau	766 64		
Maude Thomas	350 00		
Libby Volk	552 64		
Barbara Walsh	966 64		
Marguerite Williams	500 00		
Doris Woodbury	1,550 00		
Substitute Teachers	316 00		
		36,997 21	
JANITORS' SALARIES			
Andrew Dunn	1,733 28		
Hovey Humphrey	1,649 96		
James Perron	650 00		
John L. Varnum	249 96		
Assistants	88 00		
		4,371 20	
TRANSPORTATION			
Donald G. Trussell, Pupils	5,330 00		
Donald G. Trussell, Athletic Trips	336 55		
		5,666 55	
TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES			
High			
Text and Reference Books	1,063 49		
Supplies	721 22		
		1,784 71	
Elementary			
Text and Reference Books	448 38		
Supplies	415 06		
		863 44	
FUEL, LIGHT AND WATER			
High			
Fuel	1,140 22		
Gas	91 32		
Electric Current	725 98		
Water	40 20		
		1,997 72	
Elementary			
Fuel	831 20		
Electric Current	187 33		
Water	33 80		
		1,052 33	
Carried forward			$100,035 63

Brought forward			$100,035 63

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

High

Maintenance and Repairs of Building	551 91		
Janitor's Supplies	187 33		
Upkeep of Grounds	71 26		
		810 50	

Elementary

Maintenance and Repairs of Building	360 33		
Janitor's Supplies	236 81		
Removal of Ashes	40 00		
		637 14	

SCHOOL HEALTH

Dr. Daniel Rogers	300 00		
Florence Stobbart	859 92		
Medical Supplies	50 04		
		1,209 96	

MISCELLANEOUS

Manual Training Supplies	433 28		
Music Supplies	80 22		
Testing	32 52		
Athletic Supplies	602 59		
Domestic Science	78 23		
Graduation	89 95		
Writing Supervision	105 00		
Insurance	122 12		
Freight and Express	18 67		
New Equipment	286 97		
Other Expenses	135 18		
		2,064 73	
			63,660 12

SCHOOL CAFETERIA HIGH

Salaries and Wages:			
Margaret Back	518 40		
Mae Knowlton	323 80		
Loretta Tremblay	148 40		
Other Wages	18 60		
		1,009 20	
Expenses:			
Food and Provisions	1,567 65		
Equipment	12 50		
Express	10 53		
		1,590 68	
			2,599 88
Carried forward			$166,295 63

Brought forward			$166,295 63
School Cafeteria Lamson			
Salaries and Wages:			
Pauline Gould	577 40		
Jennie Nielsen	485 85		
Other Wages	2 80		
		1,066 05	
Expenses:			
Food and Provisions	1,469 87		
Gas	62 69		
		1,532 56	
			2,598 61
School Vocational			
Tuition:			
City of Beverly	82 00		
City of Lynn	6 50		
		88 50	88 50
School Special Appropriations			
Commercial Dept. Equipment			
Beaudette & Co.—			
Duplicator and Supplies	504 90		
Gym Steam Pipe and Wiring			
George W. Pickering Co., Stokers	104 85		
Emergency Lighting Unit			
J. L. Hammett Co.—Lighting Unit	88 00		
Screens and Shades			
Forse Mfg. Co., Shades	35 00		
Painting High Interior			
Finlay D. MacDonald, Painting	702 17		
Gym Floor Repairs			
Finlay D. MacDonald, Floor Repairs	93 96		
Painting Outside Trim—High			
Finlay D. MacDonald, Painting	260 50		
Boiler and Grates			
Harold G. Dodd, Repairs	35 00		
Boiler Repairs			
Harold G. Dodd, Repairs	108 30		
Leakage Repairs			
Finlay D. MacDonald, Repairs	100 00		
		2,032 68	
			2,032 68
Carried forward			$171,015 42

Brought forward			$171,015 42

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salaries of Librarians:			
Lydia L. Haraden	574 92		
Jennie S. Perley	345 00		
		919 92	
Expenses:			
Books and Periodicals	1,120 37		
Transporting Books	5 00		
Expenses, Librarian's Meetings	48 00		
Library Association Dues	5 00		
Office Supplies, P. O. Box Rent	24 85		
Coal and Wood	42 34		
Electric Current	19 22		
Rent of Branch Library	330 00		
Janitor Service	35 00		
Light Fixtures and Installation	76 47		
		1,706 25	
			2,626 17

PARK

Salaries and Wages:			
James Goodrich	762 00		
Saul Meyer	432 00		
William Hoy	204 13		
Virginia Stackpole	270 00		
June Thayer	135 00		
William Campbell	102 56		
Leverett Campbell	97 88		
Gordon Crosby	63 75		
Donald Williams	55 00		
Everett Mitchell	51 93		
Ray Sanford	46 55		
Leon Perkins	44 00		
Arthur Chisley	43 00		
Elmer Smith	31 00		
Victor Levesque	22 50		
Other Wages	138 20		
		2,499 50	
Expenses:			
Tools and Supplies	185 00		
Playground Equipment	68 29		
Lumber	60 32		
Tractor Work	52 50		
Arthur Leach.			
Work on Ball Diamond	50 00		
Carried forward			$173,641 59

Brought forward			$173,641 59
Lawn Mower	30 00		
Transportation, Use of Auto	30 45		
Sharpening Tools	18 00		
Bus Transportation	35 00		
Water	16 10		
Plowing Snow	15 00		
Stone	27 83		
Grills	7 96		
Signs	26 80		
Gas and Oil	3 79		
Labor	15 00		
Truck Hire	5 25		
Telephone	2 40		
		649 69	
SPECIALS			
Salaries and Wages:			
James Goodrich	434 00		
William Hoy	42 25		
Leverett Campbell	43 51		
William Campbell	23 63		
Other Wages	138 07		
		681 46	
Expenses Other than Wages:			
Wood Garage	512 00		
Freight on Sherman Tank	367 39		
Playground Equipment	330 51		
Road Oil	154 33		
Roller Hire	105 00		
Lumber	124 08		
Tables	37 50		
Pipe and Fitting	30 60		
Heater	22 50		
Supplies and Tools	29 05		
Fertilizer	16 00		
Wire	16 00		
Sand, Stone, Cement	18 35		
Tractor Work	14 00		
Drinking Fountain	14 90		
Trucking	5 00		
Gas and Oil	2 02		
Tractor and Cutting Unit	686 00		
Transportation, Use of Auto.	8 05		
Nickel Plating	3 50		
		2,496 78	
			6,327 43
Carried forward			$179,969 02

Brought forward			$179,969 02

PARK CONSTRUCTION

A. Cefalo & Sons, Contractors	3,950 00		
Elmer Smith, Engineer	220 00		
James Goodrich, Wages	35 00		
Grass Seed	323 00		
Trees	202 10		
Fertilizer and Lime	196 80		
Tractor Work	105 00		
Roller Hire	100 00		
Teams	48 25		
Express and Trucking	8 43		
Supplies	36 33		
Lumber	16 86		
Lights for Skating Rink	97 02		
Playground Equipment	21 45		
Cement	12 85		
Advertising	7 40		
Water	4 00		
Credit Bureau Service	5 35		
Recording Right-of-way	3 03		
Labor	16 76		
		5,409 63	
			5,409 63

UNCLASSIFIED

AMERICAN LEGION

Rent	240 00		
Electric Current	16 66		
		256 66	
			256 66

WELCOME HOME CELEBRATION

Caterer	912 26		
Tents	225 00		
Lee's Band	215 00		
Stone's Orchestra	102 00		
Medals	526 92		
Printing, Paper, Postage	105 66		
Carpenter Work	122 48		
Public Address System	35 00		
Singer	7 50		
Labor	24 00		
Miscellaneous Supplies	9 72		
		2,285 54	
			2,285 54

Carried forward		$187,920 85

Brought forward			$187,920 85
Memorial Day			
Lee's Band	215 00		
Flowers	110 00		
Mimegraphing, Clerical Work	34 63		
Other Expenses	56 22		
		415 85	
			415 85
Insurance Fund			
Fire and Boiler Insurance Premiums	1,437 94		1,437 94
Town Clock			
Hilman Barney, Care of Clock	100 00		100 00
Town Reports			
Newcomb & Gauss, Printing	598 33		
Distributing	32 80		
		631 13	
			631 13
Planning Board			
The Langley Studio, Map	50 00		50 00
High School Fire Damage			
Paine Furniture Co., Curtains	397 37		
Donald Trussell, Painting	175 00		
		572 37	
			572 37
Water Department			
Salaries and Wages:			
J. Edward Cox, Supt.	2,295 00		
Alexina D. Morrow, Clerk	500 00		
Clarence Green	545 50		
Walter Emeney	190 50		
Other Wages	5 25		
		3,536 25	
Expenses:			
Electric Current	1,335 03		
Repairs, Supplies, Equipment	679 80		
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	309 19		
Truck Insurance	55 90		
Compensation Insurance	51 32		
Fuel Oil	133 37		
Telephone	68 91		
Pump	132 50		
Carried forward			$191,128 14

Brought forward			$191,128 14
Plumber, For Service Installation	79 74		
Water Treatment Material	93 30		
Freight and Express	15 57		
Office Supplies	75 62		
Meters	312 03		
		3,342 28	
New Equipment:			
Water Treating Apparatus and Material	378 25		
Meters	387 09		
Lumber	9 66		
Analysis of Water	25 00		
		800 00	
			7,678 53

WATER SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Unpaid Bills of 1945

Beverly Gas & Electric Co.	175 73		
Pittsburgh Meter Co.	77 40		
Red Hed Mfg. Co.	30 90		
Depot Square Filling Station	23 91		
Essex County Oil Burner Service	15 80		
Hamilton Hardware Store	4 80		
		328 54	
			328 54

CEMETERY

Salaries and Wages:			
Raymond A. Whipple	17 25		
John Walke	17 25		
Lawrence C. Foster	17 25		
Doris Foster, Clerk	86 25		
Ernest E. MacGregor, Supt.	1,480 00		
Roy Whipple	473 80		
Other Wages	37 00		
		2,128 80	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	71 11		
Repairs of Power Mower	99 35		
Tools and Supplies	35 19		
Telephone	27 25		
Flowers	29 25		
Sod	11 25		
Water Rates	21 30		
Postage	10 00		
		304 70	
			2,433 50
Carried forward			$201,568 71

Brought forward			$201,568 71
Interest			
Merchant's National Bank,			
High School Bonds	962 50		
Merchant's Nat'l. Bank, Water Bonds	781 25		
		1,743 75	
			1,743 75
Maturing Debt			
Merchant's National Bank,			
High School Bonds	5,000 00		
Merchant's Nat'l. Bank, Water Bonds	5,000 00		
		10,000 00	
			10,000 00
Agency			
Com. of Mass., State Tax	4,500 00		
Com. of Mass., State Audit	363 92		
Com. of Mass., State Parks	232 69		
County of Essex, County Tax	10,863 54		
County of Essex, Dog Licenses	599 40		
Naumkeag Trust Co., Withholding Tax	5,985 90		
		22,545 45	
			22,545 45
Trust			
Ipswich Savings Bank			
Deposits for Endowments	1,550 00		
Salem Five Cent Savings Bank			
Deposits, Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund	470 00		
		2,020 00	
			2,020 00
Refunds			
Real Estate Tax	131 85		
Personal Tax	2 70		
Poll Tax	14 00		
Excise Tax	19 28		
Water Rates	2 20		
		170 03	
			170 03
Total Disbursements 1946			238,047 94
Balance, Cash December 31, 1946.			70,510 88
			308,558 82

Transfers

By Annual Town Meeting

From	To		
Excess & Deficiency	Town Hall Repairs	2,000 00	
" "	Maturing Debt	10,000 00	
" "	Fire Truck Purchase	10,000 00	
" "	Reserve Fund	2,000 00	24,000 00
Dog Tax Refund	Schools	381 23	
Water Land Purchase	School Vocational	500 00	
			881 23

By Special Town Meeting

Excess & Deficiency	Health	800 00	
" "	Police	1,500 00	
" "	Fire House Alterations	3,000 00	
" "	Old Age Assistance	800 00	
			6,100 00
Moth Priv. Prop. Wages			
	Moth Town Expenses	250 00	
			250 00
Chap. 90 Maintenance			
	Highway	800 00	
			800 00

By Finance Committee

Reserve Fund	Fire Department	856 25	
" "	Park Specials	405 82	
" "	School Department	328 60	
" "	Welcome Home Celebration	285 54	
" "	Insurance Fund	57 94	
" "	Planning Board	50 00	
" "	Memorial Day	15 85	
			2,000 00

Trust Fund Income

Perpetual Care Income, Cemetery Dept.	283 50	
Library Trust Fund Income, Library	76 17	
		859 67

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES

December 31, 1946

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Selectmen		$2,800 00	$2,664 39	$135 61
Accounting		1,700 00	1,686 77	13 23
Treasury		1,185 00	1,176 70	8 30
Collector		1,715 00	1,648 45	66 55
Assessors		2,580 00	2,437 55	142 45
Finance Committee		15 00	10 00	5 00
Law		690 00	690 00	
Town Clerk		1,475 00	1,035 26	439 74*
Election and Registration		1,300 00	1,228 57	71 43
Town Hall		2,700 00	2,689 42	10 58
Town Hall Repairs		2,000 00	1,652 00	348 00*
Police, Annual Meeting	3,490 00			
Special Meeting	1,500 00	4,990 00	4,975 26	14 74
Fire, Annual Meeting	3,000 00			
Transfer Fin. Com.	856 25	3,856 25	3,856 25	
Engine House Repairs, Spec. Meeting		3,000 00	60 00	2,940 00*
Fire Engine Purchase		10,000 00		10,000 00*
Moth—Town, Annual Meeting	2,700 00			
Special Meeting	250 00	2,950 00	2,946 60	3 32
Moth New Hose		150 00	150 00	
Moth—Private Property		1,200 00	927 00	23 00
Special Meeting, trans. $250 from Moth P. P. to Moth—Town				
Tree Warden		1,600 00	1,595 89	4 11
Forest Warden		84 50	67 74	16 76
Sealer		330 00	330 00	
Health, Annual Meeting	4,700 00			
Special Meeting	800 00	5,500 00	5,441 02	58 98
Dental Clinic		2,200 00	2,068 50	131 50
Animal Inspector		140 00	136 25	3 75
Highway, Annual Meeting	15,000 00			
Special Meeting	800 00	15,800 00	15,799 57	43
Chap. 90 Maintenance		800 00	Trans. to high., spec. meet.	
Chap. 90 Construction		4,000 00	22 20	3,977 80*
Walnut Road Sidewalk		2,000 00	1,238 11	761 89*
Snow Removal & Sanding		6,500 00	6,500 00	
Street Lighting		7,200 00	7,197 64	2 36
Public Welfare		4,500 00	4,024 36	475 64
Old Age Assist., Annual Meet.	12,000 00			
Special Meeting	800 00	12,800 00	12,800 00	

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Old Age Administration		1,000 00	531 96	468 04
Aid to Dependent Children		1,400 00	1,345 35	54 65
Aid to Dep. Child. Administration		25 00		25 00
Veterans' Benefits		700 00	373 87	326 13
State & Military Aid		200 00	120 00	80 00
School, General, Ann'l. Meet.	62,953 42			
Transfer, Finance Com.	328 60			
Dog Tax	381 23			
Refund	2 50	63,665 75	63,660 12	5 63
School Vocational		500 00	88 50	411 50
School Cafeteria—High		2,600 00	2,599 88	12
School Cafeteria—Lamson		2,600 00	2,598 61	1 39
School Specials				
Screens and Shades		25 00		25 00*
Shades, Lamson		35 00	35 00	
Painting High Interior		1,500 00	702 17	797 83*
Ceilings		30 00		30 00*
Gym Roof Waste Pipe		75 00		75 00*
Gym Floor Repairs		150 00	93 96	56 04*
Commercial Dept. Equipment		550 00	504 90	45 10*
Waterproofing High		500 00		500 00*
Gym Steam Pipe & Wiring		300 00	213 15	86 85*
Paint Outside Trim—High		500 00	260 50	239 50*
Leakage Repairs		100 00	100 00	
Grate and Blower		35 00	35 00	
Emergency Lighting Unit		88 00	88 00	
Lamson Roof Repairs				
Balance Jan. 1, 1946	1,850 00			
Appr. Annual Meeting	450 00	2,300 00		2,300 00*
Public Library, Annual Meeting	2,550 00			
Trust Income	76 17	2,626 17	2,626 17	
Parks		3,150 00	3,149 19	81
Park Specials, Annual Meeting	2,700 00			
Refunds	72 42			
Transfer, Finance Com.	405 82	3,178 24	3,178 24	
Construc. Bal. Jan. 1, '46	5,407 04			
Refunds	2 61	5,409 65	5,409 63	02
American Legion		300 00	256 66	43 34
Insurance Fund, Annual Meet.	1,380 00			
Transfer, Finance Com.	57 94			
		1,437 94	1,437 94	
Memorial Day, Annual Meeting	400 00			
Transfer Finance Committee	15 85	415 85	415 85	
Reserve Fund		2,000 00	2,000 00	
Town Clock		100 00	100 00	
Town Reports		631 13	631 13	

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Welcome Home Celebration				
Annual Meeting	2,000 00			
Transfer, Finance Com.	285 54	2,285 54	2,285 54	
Patton Park Memorial		100 00		100 00*
Planning Board, Transfer by Fin. Com.		50 00	50 00	
Cemetery, Annual Meeting	2,150 00			
Trust Fund Income	283 50	2,433 50	2,433 50	
Water		6,935 00	6,878 53	56 47
New Equipment		800 00	800 00	
Unpaid Bills of 1945		346 11	328 54	17 57
Water Land Purchase, Bal. 1-1-46		500 00		(Transferred to School Vocational)
Interest		1,750 00	1,743 75	6 25
Maturing Debt		10,000 00	10,000 00	
				$25,407 41
Balances carried to 1947				22,722 75
Balances transferred to E. & D.				2,684 66
* Carried to 1947				$25,407 41

TRUST FUNDS

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

Savings deposits on hand January 1, 1946	511 31
Interest added during 1946	12 85
Savings deposits December 31, 1946	524 16

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

Savings deposits on hand January 1, 1946	1,025 15
Interest added during 1946	25 77
Savings deposits December 31, 1946	1,050 92

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

Savings deposits on hand January 1, 1946	438 68
Interest added during 1946	11 03
Savings deposits December 31, 1946	449 71

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS FUNDS

Savings deposits on hand January 1, 1946	9,660 17
Receipts added to savings during 1946	470 00
Interest added during 1946	241 33
Total Bank deposits December 31, 1946	10,371 50
Cash on hand in general treasury	150 00
Total, Cash on hand and bank deposits	10,521 50

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Savings deposits on hand January 1, 1946	18,745 00
Bequests added to savings deposits during 1946	1,550 00
Interest added during 1946	430 93
	20,725 93
Transferred to Town for Cemetery purposes	451 00
Savings deposits December 31, 1946	20,274 93

TOWN OF HAMILTON

December 31, 1946

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Balance Dec. 31, 1945	Bequests	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1946
Crowell, Frank B.	53 41		1 34	1 50	53 25
Daley, Harold A.	208 18		5 23	5 00	208 41
Newcomb, Charles A.	104 08		2 61	3 00	103 39
Hurlburt, Eben	104 08		2 61	3 00	103 69
Williams, Betty L.	106 89		2 68	3 00	106 57
Gibney, George H.	104 99		2 63	3 00	104 62
Knowlton, Willis F.	414 49		10 42	5 00	419 91
Cummings, A. Merrill	105 15		2 64	3 00	104 79
Norris, George A.	157 53		3 95	3 00	158 48
Williams, Constance	207 93		5 22	5 00	208 15
Tappan, Foster E.	109 76		2 75		112 51
Anderson, Perley G.	105 18		2 64	3 00	104 82
Murray, Alice I.	104 95		2 63	3 00	104 58
Perron, James	52 45		1 31	1 50	52 26
Shepherd, Helen	26 19		66		26 85
Wood, Oscar A.	152 41		3 83	3 00	153 24
Rogers, Charles Jr.	108 29		2 71	3 00	108 00
Dodge, Joseph W.	160 83		4 03	5 00	159 86
Southwick, Mary A.	103 90		2 60	3 00	103 50
Allen, Dr. D. S.	392 53		7 88	25 00	375 41
Burnham, Choate	182 30		3 66	4 00	181 96
Haynes, George T.	110 91		2 22	4 00	109 13
Kinsman, Jacob	112 95		2 26	3 00	112 21
Dodge, H. Augustus Mary A.	256 27		5 14	4 00	257 41
Safford, Daniel E.	110 51		2 21	3 00	109 72
Whipple, L. D.	103 05		2 07	2 00	103 12
Burnham, Amos	103 39		2 07	3 00	102 46
Abbott, Marshall K.	236 00		4 74	15 00	225 74
Brown, Elizabeth S.	112 90		2 26	3 00	112 16
Dane, Luther	116 37		2 33	3 00	115 70
Roberts, Daniel	112 35		2 25	3 00	111 60
Dane, Francis	1,125 69		22 61	25 00	1,123 30
Dodge, Joseph T.	111 08		2 23	3 00	110 31
Bean, Ellen A.	117 12		2 35	3 00	116 47
Allen, Albert F.	107 82		2 15	3 00	106 97
Ayers, Samuel	217 90	200 00	4 37	4 00	418 27
Allen, Dr. Justin	104 69		2 09	3 00	103 78
Townsend, William E.	112 05		2 25	3 00	111 30

	Balance Dec. 31, 1945	Bequests	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1946
Davenport, Jabez K.	109 12		2 19	3 00	108 31
Whipple, Hannah M.	108 58		2 17	3 00	107 75
Gleason, William H.	109 03		2 19	3 00	108 22
Fletcher, Roland	152 13		3 05		155 18
Mann, John R.	151 81		3 04		154 85
Mann, Jesse S.	151 81		3 04		154 85
Sampson, Carrie	75 91		1 51		77 42
Perley, Alvin L.	151 50		3 04		154 54
Foster, C. A. and L. C.	151 50		3 04		154 54
Southwick, Mrs. Arthur	150 50		3 02		153 52
Durkee, Frank G.	150 00		2 00		152 00
Sargeant, Henry	150 00		2 00		152 00
Fitz, George W.	150 00		2 00		152 00
Ayer, Charles F.	500 00		5 83		505 83
Fuller, Marian B.	150 00		1 75		151 75
Haskell, T. & Bradeen, A.	150 00		1 75		151 75
Feener, Herbert J.	150 00		75		150 75
Schaller, Carrie, Heirs of	150 00		50		150 50
Dodge, Esther M.	150 00		50		150 50
Kennedy, Hazel A.	300 00		1 00		301 00
Sweeney, Thomas S.	150 00				150 00
Little, William J.	150 00				150 00
Rankins, Carrie L.	150 00				150 00
Dodge, Thomas J.	150 00				150 00
Burton, F. J. and P. W. Burton	111 19		2 79	3 00	110 98
Patch, Emeline	108 87		2 73	3 00	108 60
Dodge, Edward W.	110 43		2 77	3 00	110 20
Whipple, Albert M.	107 93		2 70		110 63
Horne, Thomas	112 64		2 83	3 00	112 47
Andrews, Horace E.	117 14		2 94	3 00	117 08
Peterson, Charles A.	104 21		2 61	3 00	103 82
Graham, Charlie E.	54 65		1 37	1 50	54 52
Lovering, J. P.	112 04		2 81	3 00	111 85
Dufton, Joseph W.	111 20		2 79	3 00	110 99
Butler, N. B.	110 22		2 77	3 00	109 99
Fillebrown, Howard R.	52 39		1 31	1 50	52 20
Cutler, Temple	82 95		2 07	1 50	83 52
Cutler, Temple (Old Lot)	83 72		2 09	1 50	84 31
Dane, Ephriam A.	106 20		2 67	3 00	105 87
Patch, Laura S.	110 30		2 77	3 00	110 07
Dodge, James E.	113 48		2 84	3 00	113 32
Dane, Joseph F.	102 80		2 58	3 00	102 38
Mason, Arthur	115 30		2 89	3 00	115 19
Goodhue, Saml. G.	110 71		2 78	3 00	110 49
Preston, Thomas	111 00		2 79	3 00	110 79

	Balance Dec. 31, 1945	Bequests	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1946
McNeil, Hattie S.	111 15		2 79	3 00	110 94
Tuttle, John	112 60		2 83	3 00	112 43
Kimball, Susan A.	162 35		4 08	5 00	161 43
Henry, Mary R.	80 23		2 01	1 50	80 74
Knowlton, Isaac F.	229 82		5 76	5 00	230 58
Knowlton, Geo. K. and Rollins, Standley	113 72		2 85	3 00	113 57
Anderson, Johanna M.	104 50		2 61	3 00	104 11
Sweet, George C.	104 73		2 63	3 00	104 36
French, Isaac I.	103 86		2 60	3 00	103 46
Abbott, Albert S.	105 84		2 65	3 00	105 49
Whitman, Florence H.	104 25		2 61	3 00	103 86
Tilton, Barclay & Alice D.	401 54		10 09	10 00	401 63
Colwell, Enrest G.	112 28		2 81	3 00	112 09
Stone, Daniel D.	109 94		2 75	3 00	109 69
Neal, Nirum	55 12		1 38	1 50	55 00
Neal, George A.	54 71		1 37	1 50	54 58
Thompson, Mary E.	169 51		4 25	3 00	170 76
MacDonald, Robert	111 27		2 79	3 00	111 06
Hobbs, Franklin	110 61		2 77	3 00	110 38
Elwell, J. E. and G.	113 29		2 84	3 00	113 13
Wilson, James	113 21		2 84	3 00	113 05
Ware, Lydia	233 77		5 86	15 00	224 63
Andrews, Mary	37 38		92		38 30
Patch, Mrs. Washington	102 35		2 57	2 00	102 92
Grant, Mrs. Alice	102 35		2 57	2 00	102 92
Chandler, Est. Arthur W.	102 35		2 57	2 00	102 92
Knowlton, Joseph	104 26		2 61	2 00	104 87
Hayes, Olivia E.	112 17		2 81	3 00	111 98
Thayer, Samuel E.	111 49		2 79	3 00	111 28
Chandler, William D.	110 95		2 78	3 00	110 73
Smith, Charles H.	102 83		2 58	1 50	103 91
Horne, Duncan K.	105 26		2 64	3 00	104 90
Bradstreet, John	208 43		5 24	6 00	207 67
Gamboa, Joseph	108 71		2 73	3 00	108 44
Whipple, Emerson A.	112 08		2 81	3 00	111 89
Chadwick, Alden	113 36		2 84	3 00	113 20
Ellis, Emily	111 33		2 79	3 00	111 12
Woodbury, John T.	111 44		2 79	3 00	111 23
Whittredge, John	111 44		2 79	3 00	111 23
Woodbury, John L.	522 03		13 13	10 00	525 16
Roberts, George E.	112 09		2 81	5 00	109 90
Crowely, Bertha	112 18		2 81	5 00	109 99
Porter, Benjamin	111 87		2 80	3 00	111 67
Trussell, Frank P.	176 44		4 43	10 00	170 87
Austin, Delia	102 58		2 57	2 00	103 15

	Balance Dec. 31, 1945	Bequests	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1946
Trefry, Henry G.	110 87		2 78	3 00	110 65
Lovering, Myrtle B.	116 88		2 93	3 00	116 81
Knowlton, John H.	113 34		2 84	3 00	113 18
Rowe, Mary	109 25		2 74	3 00	108 99
Nason, Daniel S.	109 25		2 74	3 00	108 99
Smerage, Charles A.	113 17		2 84	3 00	113 01
Knowlton, Clarence S.	111 79		2 80	3 00	111 59
MacDonald, Mrs. Alexander	110 97		2 78	3 00	110 75
Norton, Francis C.	166 69		4 18	3 00	167 87
Proctor, James H.	380 13		9 55	15 00	374 68
Brewer, Alice E.	104 32		2 61	3 00	103 93
Ayers, Fred H.	110 77		2 78	3 00	110 55
Whipple, A. C. Flower Fd.	116 07		2 91	3 00	115 98

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1946

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:		
In Banks		$70,510 88
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1946:		
Personal	$527 75	
Real Estate	9,294 92	
		9,822 67
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1946		35 42
Moth Assessments:		
Levy of 1946		156 30
Tax Titles		65 81
Tax Possessions		136 53
Departmental:		
State Aid	$130 00	
School	74 00	
Cemetery	87 25	
		291 25
Water Department:		
Rates	$824 12	
Services	68 24	
		892 36
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1944	$2 00	
Levy of 1946	421 32	
		423 32
State Assessments 1946 (Underestimate):		
State Parks and Reservations		87 26
County Assessments 1946 (Underestimate):		
County Tax		248 65
Loans Authorized		60,000 00
		$142,670 45

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Tailings		$130 77
Surplus War Bonus Fund		965 37
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund		150 00
Trust Fund Income:		
Library	$8 59	
Cemetery	261 36	
		269 95

Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	$595 77	
Administration	309 15	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	780 29	
Administration	149 36	
		1,834 57
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk	$439 74	
Town Hall Repairs	348 00	
Fire House Repairs	2,940 00	
Fire—New Truck	10,000 00	
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction	3,977 80	
Sidewalk—Walnut Road	761 89	
School:		
New Shades—High	25 00	
Interior Painting—High	797 83	
Ceilings	30 00	
Gymnasium Roof	75 00	
Gymnasium Steam Pipes	86 85	
Gymnasium Floor	56 04	
Commercial Department Equipment	45 10	
Waterproofing—High	500 00	
Outside Painting—High	239 50	
Roof Repairs—Lamson	2,300 00	
Memorial—Patton Park	100 00	
		22,722 75
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		3,362 18
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	$35 42	
Special Assessments	156 30	
Tax Titles	202 34	
Departmental	291 25	
Water	892 36	
		1,577 67
Loans Authorized—Unissued		60,000 00
Surplus Revenue		51,657 19
		$142,670 45

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$85,000 00
	$85,000 00

Liabilities and Reserves

High School Building Loan	$25,000 00
Water Loan	60,000 00
	$85,000 00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	$32,821 22
	$32,821 22

Liabilities and Reserves

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund	$524 16
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund	1,050 92
Maxwell Norman Fund	449 71
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	10,521 50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	20,274 93
	$32,821 22

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Bonded Indebtedness

Date of Maturity	High School Bonds 3½% Issued 7-1-31	Water Supply Bonds 1¼% Issued 7-1-39	Total
1947	5,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00
1948	5,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00
1949	5,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00
1950	5,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00
1951	5,000 00	5,000 00	10,000 00
1952		5,000 00	5,000 00
1953		5,000 00	5,000 00
1954		5,000 00	5,000 00
1955		5,000 00	5,000 00
1956		5,000 00	5,000 00
1957		5,000 00	5,000 00
1958		5,000 00	5,000 00
	25,000 00	60,000 00	85,000 00

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Statement of Tax Rate per $1,000 00 Valuation
for the Years
1920 to 1946 inclusive

Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate
1920	16 00	1929	22 70	1938	25 30
1921	20 00	1930	23 60	1939	25 00
1922	17 00	1931	24 70	1940	23 80
1923	21 00	1932	23 70	1941	23 40
1924	21 00	1933	22 30	1942	23 20
1925	23 80	1934	23 80	1943	22 00
1926	24 20	1935	28 60	1944	22 00
1927	23 80	1936	27 50	1945	24 00
1928	23 40	1937	26 70	1946	27 00

REPORT *of an* AUDIT

of

THE ACCOUNTS

of the

TOWN *of* HAMILTON

For the year 1946

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Corporations and Taxation
Division of Accounts
State House, Boston 33

January 29, 1947

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Edward A. DeWitt, Chairman
Hamilton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year 1946, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS X. LANG
Director of Accounts

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Mr. Francis X. Lang
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year 1946, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments, were examined, checked, and compared with the records of the treasurer and the accountant.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with the treasurer's books. The appropriations, as entered in the ledger, were compared with the town clerk's record of financial votes passed by the town.

The ledger was analyzed, a trial balance was drawn off proving the ledger to be in balance, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1946, was prepared and is appended to this report.

An examination was made of the town treasurer's books and accounts. The receipts as recorded were analyzed and compared with the departmental records of payments to the treasurer and with the other sources from which money was received by the town, while the recorded payments

were checked with the treasury warrants authorizing the disbursements of town funds.

The cash balance on January 6, 1947 was verified by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the trust funds held by the town were personally examined and listed, the income and withdrawals being proved and found to be as recorded.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were verified by comparison with the amounts falling due, the cancelled securities and coupons being checked.

The transactions pertaining to the tax titles held by the treasurer were verified and a detailed list of the tax titles was made and reconciled with the town accountant's books.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked, the commitments of poll, property, and motor vehicle excise taxes as well as of departmental and water accounts being analyzed and compared with the assessors' and departmental warrants. The cash book records of collections were checked with the amounts credited on the commitment lists, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' record of abatements granted, the payments to the treasurer and the cash on hand were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved to the controlling accounts in the accountant's ledger.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of receipts on account of dog and sporting licenses issued were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game being verified with the receipts on file.

The records of receipts of the sealer of weights and measures for sealing and adjusting weights and measures were checked and the payments to the treasurer were verified.

The records of departmental accounts receivable of the public welfare, school, cemetery, and water departments, as well as the records of cash receipts of all other departments, were examined and checked.

The surety bonds furnished by the several officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, assessment, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the several trust funds held by the town.

While engaged in making the audit, cooperation was received from all officials of the town, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE
Assistant Director of Accounts

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RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER' CASH

Balance January 1, 1946,	$70,199 51	
Receipts,	238,359 31	
		$308,558 82
Payments	$238,047 94	
Balance December 31, 1946	70,510 88	
		$308,558 82
Balance January 1, 1947	$70,510 88	
Receipts January 1 to 6, 1947	1,231 70	
		$71,742 58
Payments January 1 to 6, 1947	$1,529 69	
Balance January 6, 1947:		
Merchants National Bank, Salem $7,674 25		
Beverly Trust Company, Beverly 62,538 64		
	70,212 89	
		$71,742 58

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF SALEM

Balance January 6, 1947, per statement		$11,030 13
Balance January 6, 1947, per check book	$7,674 25	
Outstanding checks January 6, 1947, per list	3,355 88	
		$11,030 13

BEVERLY TRUST COMPANY, BEVERLY

Balance January 6, 1947, per statement	$65,997 00	
Deposit in transit, verified	1,481 06	
		$67,478 06
Balance January 6, 1947, per check book	$62,538 64	
Outstanding checks January 6, 1947, per list	4,939 42	
		$67,478 06

TOWN COLLECTOR

Reconciliation of Cash

Cash balances January 6, 1947, per tables:		
Personal taxes 1946	$5 40	
Real estate taxes 1946	110 64	
Motor vehicle excise taxes 1946	4 00	
Interest on taxes 1946	1 36	
Water rates	37 60	
		$159 00
Cash on hand January 6, 1947, verified		$159 00

POLL TAXES—1944

Refunds 1946		$2 00
Abatements 1946		$2 00

POLL TAXES—1945

Refunds 1946		$4 00
Abatements 1946		$4 00

PERSONAL TAXES—1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946		$320 40
Payments to treasurer 1946	$308 40	
Abatements 1946	12 00	
		$320 40

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946		$8,346 44
Payments to treasurer 1946	$8,214 44	
Abatements 1946	132 00	
		$8,346 44

POLL TAXES—1946

Commitment per warrant	$1,536 00	
Additional commitment	4 00	
Refunds	8 00	
		$1,548 00
Payments to treasurer 1946	$1,042 00	
Abatements 1946	506 00	
		$1,548 00

PERSONAL TAXES—1946

Commitment per warrant	$14,928 03	
Refunds	2 70	
		$14,930 73
Payments to treasurer	$14,351 68	
Abatements	51 30	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	527 75	
		$14,930 73
Outstanding January 1, 1947		$527 75
Outstanding January 6, 1947, per list	$522 35	
Cash balance January 6, 1947	5 40	
		$527 75

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1946

Commitment per warrant	$128,854 09	
Additional commitment	270 00	
Refunds	131 85	
		$129,255 94
Payments to treasurer	$118,581 99	
Abatements	1,368 23	
Added to tax titles	10 80	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	9,294 92	
		$129,255 94
Outstanding January 1, 1947		$9,294 92
Outstanding January 6, 1947, per list	$9,184 28	
Cash balance January 6, 1947	110 64	
		$9,294 92

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1945

Commitment per warrant		$92 90
Payments to treasurer 1946	$90 41	
Abatements 1946	2 49	
		$92 90

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1946

Commitment per warrants	$3,789 83	
Refunds	19 28	
		$3,809 11
Payments to treasurer	$3,647 21	
Abatements	126 48	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	35 42	
		$3,809 11
Outstanding January 1, 1947		$35 42
Outstanding January 6, 1947, per list	$31 42	
Cash balance January 6, 1947	4 00	
		$35 42

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$32 20
Payments to treasurer 1946	$32 20

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1946

Commitment per warrant		$1,043 30
Payments to treasurer	887 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	156 30	
		$1,043 30

INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Cash balance January 1, 1946		$ 76	
Collections 1946:			
Interest:			
Taxes and assessments:			
Levy of 1945	$167 39		
Levy of 1946	15 60		
		182 99	
Motor vehicle excise taxes:			
Levy of 1945	$ 04		
Levy of 1946	26		
		30	
Costs:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1946		31 50	
			$215 55
Payments to treasurer 1946			$215 55
Collections January 1 to 6, 1947:			
Interest:			
Taxes:			
Levy of 1946			$ 1 36
Cash balance January 6, 1947			$ 1 36

TAX TITLE

Balance January 1, 1946	$216 64	
Added to tax titles—Taxes 1946	10 80	
		$227 44
Tax titles redeemed	$161 63	
Balance December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	65 81	
		$227 44

TAX POSSESSIONS

Balance January 1, 1946	$136 53
Balance December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	$136 53

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Miscellaneous Receipts

Licenses and permits 1946:			
Auto:			
Class 1	$2 00		
Class 2	4 00		
Common victuallers'	6 00		
Junk	23 00		
Liquor	1,250 00		
Oleomargerine	1 50		
Peddlers'	2 00		
Revolver	16 00		
Sunday	16 00		
Taxi	1 00		
		$1,321 50	
Rent of town hall		30 00	
			$1,351 50
Payments to treasurer		$1,351 00	
Cash balance December 31, 1946		50	
			$1,351 50
Cash balance January 1, 1947		$ 50	
Licenses and permits			
January 1 to 6, 1947:			
Auto:			
Class 1	$2 00		
Class 2	2 00		
Common victuallers'	6 00		
Liquor	1,150 00		
Revolver	3 00		
Sunday	1 00		
Taxi	1 00		
		1,165 00	
			$1,165 50
Payments to treasurer			
January 1 to 6, 1947		$1,165 00	
Cash on hand January 6, 1947, verified		50	
			$1,165 50

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Licenses issued 1946:		
Males, 145 @ $2 00	$290 00	
Females, 34 @ 5 00	170 00	
Spayed females, 44 @ 2 00	88 00	
Kennel, 1 @ 50 00	50 00	
Kennel, 1 @ 25 00	25 00	
Kennel, 2 @ 10 00	20 00	
		$643 00
Payments to treasurer 1946	$597 60	
Fees retained 1946, 227 @ $ .20	45 40	
		$643 00

Sporting Licenses

Licenses issued 1946:		
Resident citizens' fishing, 37 @ $2 00	$ 74 00	
Resident citizens' hunting, 65 @ 2 00	130 00	
Resident citizens' sporting, 37 @ 3 25	120 25	
Resident citizen minors' and females' fishing, 24 @ 1 25	30 00	
Resident citizens' trapping, 4 @ 5 25	21 00	
Special non-resident fishing, 1 @ 1 50	1 50	
Duplicate, 1 @ .50	50	
		$377 25
Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game 1946	$335 25	
Fees retained 1946, 168 @ $.25	42 00	
		$377 25
Licenses issued January 1 to 6, 1947:		
Resident citizens' hunting, 2 @ $2 00	$4 00	
Resident citizens' sporting, 7 @ 3 25	22 75	
Resident citizen minors' and females' fishing, 1 @ 1 25	1 25	
		$28 00
Fees retained January 1 to 6, 1947, 10 @ $.25	$2 50	
Cash on hand January 6, 1947, verified	25 50	
		$28 00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Cash balance January 1, 1946	$ 50	
Receipts 1946	28 08	
		$28 58
Payments to treasurer 1946		$28 58

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$52 85	
Charges 1946	01	
		$52 86
Payments to treasurer 1946		$52 86

Dental Clinic

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$194 65	
Charges 1946	475 50	
		$670 15
Payments to treasurer	$575 00	
Abatements	48 65	
Outstanding December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	46 50	
		$670 15

MILK INSPECTOR

Permits issued 1946:			
Dealer	8 @ $ 50	$4 00	
Store	14 @ 50	7 00	
			$11 00
Payments to treasurer 1946			11 00
Permits issued January 1 to 6, 1947:			
Store	1 @ $ 50		$ 50
Cash on hand January 6, 1947, verified			$ 50

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Temporary Aid—Accounts Receivable

Charges 1946	$668 82
Payments to treasurer 1946	$668 82

Aid to Dependent Children

Accounts Receivable—State

Charges 1946	$648 21
Payments to treasurer 1946	$648 21

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Accounts Receivable—State

Charges 1946	$8,686 94
Payments to treasurer 1946	$8,686 94

Accounts Receivable—Cities and Towns

Charges 1946	$145 76
Payments to treasurer 1946	$145 76

STATE AID

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$130 00	
Charges 1946	120 00	
		$250 00
Payments to treasurer	$120 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	130 00	
		$250 00

WAR ALLOWANCE

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$72 25
Payments to treasurer 1946	$72 25

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$72 00	
Charges 1946	256 00	
		$328 00
Payments to treasurer	$254 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	74 00	
		$328 00
Outstanding January 1, 1947		$74 00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 6, 1947	$24 00	
Outstanding January 6, 1947, per list	50 00	
		$74 00

Miscellaneous Receipts

Collections 1946:			
Cafeterias:			
High School	1,707 41		
Lamson School	2,237 32		
		$3,944 73	
Manual training		1 00	
			$3,945 73
Payments to treasurer 1946			$3,945 73
Collections January 1 to 17, 1947:			
Cafeterias:			
High School		$130 40	
Lamson School		156 55	
			$286 95
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 17, 1947		$153 40	
Cash on hand January 17, 1947, verified		133 55	
			$286 95

LIBRARY

Receipts 1946		$7 67
Payments to treasurer	$2 47	
Cash balance December 31, 1946	5 20	
		$7 67
Cash balance January 1 and 7, 1947		$5 20
Payments to treasurer January 7 to 14, 1947		$5 20

WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$861 50	
Commitments	9,481 08	
Refunds	2 20	
		$10,344 78
Payments to treasurer	$9,494 71	
Abatements	25 95	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	824 12	
		$10,344 78
Outstanding January 1, 1947		$824 12
Outstanding January 6, 1947, per list	$786 52	
Cash balance January 6, 1947	37 60	
		$824 12

Services

Outstanding January 1, 1946	$165 20	
Commitments	452 00	
		$617 20
Payments to treasurer	$548 96	
Outstanding December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list	68 24	
		$617 20

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1946		$123 00	
Charges:			
Sale of lots and graves	$50 00		
Care of lots and graves	384 50		
		434 50	
			$557 50
Payments to treasurer		$463 75	
Abatements		6 50	
Outstanding December 31, 1946 and January 6, 1947, per list		87 25	
			$557 50

Miscellaneous Receipts

Receipts 1946:		
Bequests	$1,550 00	
Sale of lots and graves	545 00	
Interments	247 00	
Care of lots and graves	9 00	
		$2,351 00
Payments to treasurer 1946		$2,351 00

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1946	$511 31	$511 31
On hand at end of year 1946	$524 16	$524 16
On hand January 6, 1947	$524 16	$524 16

1946

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$12 85	Added to savings deposits	$12 85

January 1 to 6, 1947
No transactions recorded

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1946	$1,025 15	$1,025 15
On hand at end of year 1946	$1,050 92	$1,050 92
On hand January 6, 1947	$1,050 92	$1,050 92

1946

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$25 77	Added to savings deposits	$25 77

January 1 to 6, 1947
No transactions recorded

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1946	$438 68	$438 68
On hand at end of year 1946	$449 71	$449 71
On hand January 6, 1947	$449 71	$449 71

1946

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$11 03	Added to savings deposits	$11 03

January 1 to 6, 1947
No transactions recorded

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS FUND

	Cash in General Treasury	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1946	.....	$9,660 17	$9,660 17
On hand at end of year 1946	$150 00	$10,371 50	$10,521 50
On hand January 6, 1947	$150 00	$10,371 50	$10,521 50

1946

Receipts		Payments	
Income	$241 33	Added to savings deposits	$711 33
Sale of lots	620 00	Cash in general treasury December 31, 1946	150 00
	$861 33		$861 33

January 1 to 6, 1947

Cash in general treasury January 1, 1947	$150 00	Cash in general treasury January 6, 1947	$150 00

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1946	$18,745 00	$18,745 00
On hand at end of year 1946	$20,274 93	$20,274 93
On hand January 6, 1947	$20,274 93	$20,274 93

1946

Receipts		Payments	
Withdrawn from savings deposits	$451 00	Added to savings deposits	$1,980 93
Income	430 93	Transferred to town	451 00
Bequests	1,550 00		
	$2,431 93		$2,431 93

January 1 to 6, 1947
No transactions recorded

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Balance Sheet — December 31, 1946

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash:		
In Banks		$70,510 88
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1946:		
Personal	$527 75	
Real Estate	9,294 92	
		9,822 67
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		
Levy of 1946		35 42
Moth Assessments:		
Levy of 1946		156 30
Tax Titles		65 81
Tax Possessions		136 53
Departmental:		
State Aid	$130 00	
School	74 00	
Cemetery	87 25	
		291 25
Water Department:		
Rates	$824 12	
Services	68 24	
		892 36
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1944	$2 00	
Levy of 1946	421 32	
		423 32
State Assessments 1946 (Underestimate):		
State Parks and Reservations		87 26
County Assessments 1946 (Underestimate):		
County Tax		248 65
Loans Authorized		60,000 00
		$142,670 45

Liabilities and Reserves

Tailings		$130 77
Surplus War Bonus Fund		965 37
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund		150 00
Trust Fund Income:		
Library	$8 59	
Cemetery	261 36	
		269 95

Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	$595 77	
Administration	309 15	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	780 29	
Administration	149 36	
		1,834 57
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk	$439 74	
Town Hall Repairs	348 00	
Fire House Repairs	2,940 00	
Fire—New Truck	10,000 00	
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction	3,977 80	
Sidewalk—Walnut Road	761 89	
School:		
New Shades—High	25 00	
Interior Painting—High	797 83	
Ceilings	30 00	
Gymnasium Roof	75 00	
Gymnasium Steam Pipes	86 85	
Gymnasium Floor	56 04	
Commercial Department Equipment	45 10	
Waterproofing—High	500 00	
Outside Painting—High	239 50	
Roof Repairs—Lamson	2,300 00	
Memorial—Patton Park	100 00	
		22,722 75
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		3,362 18
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	$35 42	
Special Assessments	156 30	
Tax Titles	202 34	
Departmental	291 25	
Water	892 36	
		1,577 67
Loans Authorized—Unissued		60,000 00
Surplus Revenue		51,657 19
		$142,670 45

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$85,000 00
	$85,000 00

Liabilities and Reserves

High School Building Loan	$25,000 00
Water Loan	60,000 00
	$85,000 00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Assets

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	$32,821 22
	$32,821 22

Liabilities and Reserves

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund	$524 16
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund	1,050 92
Maxwell Norman Fund	449 71
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	10,521 50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	20,274 93
	$32,821 22

REPORT

of the

HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1946

REPORT OF
THE HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

Your school committee wish to report a very cooperative and satisfactory year.

Our high standard of education has become a more solid foundation for the future of the youth of your town in the very able administration and guidance of your superintendent-principal, Elwin F. Towne.

Your committee of five has functioned well together. More individual ideas, and careful discussion of all matters, has been responsible for fair and just decisions of all problems which we have handled during the year.

In February, Allan MacCurrach resigned from the committee. His unexpired term of office was filled at town election by Ray M. Sanford. Kerwin Harding resigned in March, and was replaced by the appointment of Robert N. Peale. The committee then remained intact until January 1, 1947 when Ernest F. Stockwell resigned. G. Gordon Love was appointed to fill this vacancy until the next town election.

During the year the following teachers resigned and were replaced as indicated:

Resigned	*Replaced by*
F. Doris Bennett	Warren Bennett
Mary Donovan	Marguerite Williams
Barbara Walsh	Libby Volk
Eleanor Gregory	Harriett Erskine
Jean Jacob	Irene Thibedeau
Elliott Hawkes	Marshall Gero

Because of the necessity of having smaller classes in the junior high grades, a new teacher, John O'Neil became a member of the faculty.

The kindergarten, which started in 1945, has proved a very valuable asset to our system. The children who attended this class have shown a marked advancement of approximately eight weeks upon entering the first grade. This gives each child an opportunity to better grasp the fundamentals of their primary education, and progress with less chance of failure.

With the same shortage of teachers existing throughout the entire country, as in the past few years, your committee felt very fortunate to have been able to start the school year with a complete and thoroughly efficient staff. We fully realized that too frequent changes in our teaching force upsets a well established educational program; and, with this in mind, we very carefully considered salary raises and adjustments in preparing our budget for the coming year. Due, also, to the higher cost of

living, as well as steps being taken by other communities, we recognized a challenge that more drastic steps had to be taken if we wished to successfully continue our present high standards of education, and retain our present staff. Accordingly, our budget shows a marked increase in salaries, which puts us on a more equal basis of fair competition with other communities. We believe this is absolutely necessary for the protection of our school system.

The balance of the budget shows only a slight increase, due to higher costs of supplies, fuel, etc.

The special appropriations requested shows an increase in the cafeteria account. This is explained by stating the amount is only a working capital, and a high percentage is returned to the town through receipts. For the year 1946 the town only paid for one-half of the salaries connected therewith.

Although major repairs are still badly needed, your committee feels that the maintenance of the buildings by way of minor repairs, and painting, is the best solution until such time as satisfactory materials and labor are more readily obtainable.

You will find all other matters pertaining to our schools adequately covered in the superintendent's report.

Your committee submits this report to you, citizens of the Town of Hamilton, and trust that we may continue to receive the same sincere cooperation in the future as you have expressed during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE E. WOODMAN, Chairman
GRACE B. LAMSON
RAY M. SANFORD
ROBERT N. PEALE
G. GORDON LOVE

February 1947

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Hamilton School Committee:

It is with great pleasure that I present my third annual report as your superintendent of schools. Again I wish to thank the school committee for its generous cooperation and support. Our meetings have been businesslike, constructive, and pleasant. Mr. Ernest F. Stockwell was a very able leader and his services on the school board were most commendable. In spite of several changes (in members) on the board this past year I feel that Hamilton schools have continued to improve. New members were capable, broadminded men, interested in school affairs. Interest in education of the youth of Hamilton, the economic and wise expenditure of money, progressive long range planning, and the absence of policies have made possible more and better opportunities for our young people.

I feel that your schools are among the best in any city or town in Massachusetts. The Boston University testing program takes the guessing out of education. We compare favorably with the state and national norms in most subjects. Where there are weaknesses, provisions have been for a better standard of work. Following are the results of the tests given March 4, 1946:

	Score	National Norms
Reading Comprehension		
Grade 8	36	38
Grade 9	41	44
Grade 11	50	45
English Fundamentals		
Grade 8	26	38
Grade 9	30	42
Math Reasoning		
Grade 8	21	16
Grade 9	25	23
Math Fundamentals		
Grade 8	40	44
Grade 9	46	43
Mechanical Comprehension		
Grade 8	18	18
Grade 9	31	30
Grade 11	43	42
Clerical Aptitude		
Grade 11	107	103

Results such as these are possible only with an experienced teaching staff. Hamilton has been fortunate in having and retaining good teachers and we hope our pay scale will allow us to continue. Dr. William E. Young,

Director, Division of Elementary Education, New York State Department of Education, in a recent speech at Boston University, stated "that schools would not be adequately 'covered' until 1951 and then only if state and federal grants were made to make the teaching profession attractive to young people.

The board sanctioned the introduction of the Rinehart Functional Writing System for grades one through nine. Very obvious gains have been made due to the enthusiastic instruction given by teachers and excellent supervision by Mr. Rinehart's representative.

The teachers of both schools, under the supervision of Mrs. Sorli and Miss Latimer of the State Department of Public Health have organized and coordinated a program of health instruction. These units are in use in all grades. This health instruction, the excellent medical attention by Miss Stobbart and Dr. Rogers, the physical education classes and our hot lunch make a well rounded health program.

Mr. John Stalker of the Community School Lunch Program has promised several pieces of equipment, including a mixer, two dish washers, two stoves and a deep freeze. If all the equipment is delivered its valuation will exceed $1500 and will establish us as two of the best equipped small schools of the state. Machinery of this type is inestimable in preparing and serving a better hot lunch and will result in more and better food for our young people.

Education is like the building of a bridge. Good foundations are necessary. They can be obtained only by hard work on the part of the teacher and pupil. Good schools have no magic formula whereby education may be obtained by observation. It requires activity programs, participation, work, drill, learning and re-learning. I hope parents in Hamilton will continue to give us support in this philosophy. We are insisting on a high grade of work and a serious and businesslike attitude in classes and study halls. We want the product of our schools to make a commendable record in life.

Respectfully submitted,

ELWIN F. TOWNE,
Superintendent of Schools.

January 29, 1947

HAMILTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

	Budget 1946	Expenditures 1946	Budget 1947
General Expenses			
Superintendent			
Salary	$4,133 33	$4,133 33	$4,866 66
Clerk	1,650 00	1,666 66	1,950 00
Supt. Travel	75 00	51 39	75 00
Expense of Office	75 00	41 04	75 00
Census Enumerator	100 00	100 00	100 00
Expense of Instruction			
Substitutes—High	300 00	301 00	350 00
Substitutes—Elementary	100 00	105 00	100 00
Teachers' Salaries			
Assist. Principal, High	2,066 60	2,066 60	2,666 66
Teachers—High	17,016 33	18,023 29	24,800 00
Teachers—Elementary	12,400 00	11,966 40	16,041 66
Music—Elementary	350 00	350 00	440 00
Home Economics	1,750 00	1,749 92	2,266 66
Shop	2,450 00	2,450 00	2,633 33
Expenses—Conventions	25 00	.....	25 00
Writing Supervision	350 00	105 00	350 00
Textbooks and Supplies			
Textbooks—High	700 00	1,063 49	700 00
Textbooks—Elementary	500 00	448 38	500 00
Supplies—High	600 00	721 22	700 00
Supplies—Elementary	400 00	415 06	500 00
Shop Supplies	600 00	433 28	600 00
Home Economic Supplies	150 00	142 23	150 00
Films	100 00	51 43	100 00
Testing Program	150 00	32 52	150 00
Music Supplies	100 00	80 22	100 00
School Board Journal	.....	.....	15 00
Operation of Plant			
Janitor—High	1,733 33	1,821 28	2,000 00
Janitor—Elementary	1,650 00	1,649 96	1,950 00
Janitor—Retired	650 00	650 00	650 00
Janitor—Retired	250 00	249 96	250 00
Fuel—High	1,000 00	1,140 22	1,284 00
Fuel—Elementary	800 00	831 20	1,125 00
Electricity—High	700 00	725 98	800 00
Electricity—Elementary	175 00	187 33	200 00
Janitor's Supplies—High	250 00	187 23	250 00
Janitor's Supplies—Elementary	250 00	236 81	250 00
Gas—High	80 00	91 32	90 00
Water High and Elementary	100 00	64 00	100 00

	Budget 1946	Expenditures 1946	Budget 1947
Maintenance of Plant			
Repairs and Upkeep—High	700 00	623 17	800 00
Repairs and Upkeep—Elementary	500 00	360 33	500 00
Auxiliary Agencies			
Physician—High	100 00	100 00	150 00
Physician—Elementary	200 00	200 00	250 00
Nurse—High	300 00	300 00	400 00
Nurse—Elementary	560 00	559 92	600 00
Medical Supplies—High	20 00	46 12	50 00
Medical Supplies—Elementary	10 00	3 92	10 00
Transportation—High	2,745 00	2,665 00	2,745 00
Transportation—Elementary	2,745 00	2,665 00	2,745 00
Transportation—Athletic	300 00	336 55	350 00
Miscellaneous			
Graduation—High	90 00	89 95	75 00
Telephone—High	125 00	122 37	125 00
Telephone—Elementary	45 00	31 97	40 00
Removal of Ashes	40 00	40 00	40 00
Library	100 00	91 39	100 00
Insurance	135 00	122 12	135 00
Outlay			
New Equipment—High	345 00	286 97	350 00
New Equipment—Athletics	500 00	682 59	400 00
	$63,334 65	$63,660 12	$79,068 97
Vocational	500 00	88 50	500 00
Cafeteria—High	2,600 00	2,599 88	3,500 00
Cafeteria—Elementary	2,600 00	2,599 88	3,500 00
Shades—Lamson	35 00	35 00	.....
Shades—High	25 00	.....	25 00
Painting—Interior—High	1,500 00	702 17	.....
Gym Floor Repairs	150 00	93 96	150 00
Commercial Equipment	550 00	505 15	500 00
Leakage Repairs	100 00	100 00	100 00
Boiler Repairs, Wiring, etc.	300 00	213 15	.....
Vacuum System Repairs	.....	.....	40 00
Painting outside trim—High	500 00	260 50	.....
Grate and Blower—Elementary	35 00	35 00	.....
S. S. B. Automatic Emergency Lighting Unit	88 00	88 00	.....
Lamson School Roof	2,200 00	.....	2,875 00
Tile in Gym	.....	.....	125 00
Installation new machinery—High	.....	.....	45 00
Installation new machinery—Ele.	.....	.....	72 00
Painting—Lamson School basement	.....	.....	1,000 00
Waterproofing—High	500 00	.....	500 00

LIST OF TEACHERS AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT DURING 1946

Teacher	*Course Pursued*
Warren Bennett	Remedial Reading
Carl J. Martini	Experimental Math
	Child Psychology II
John O'Neil	D. C. Theory
	Physics

HAMILTON TEACHERS' DIRECTORY, JANUARY 1, 1947

Name	*School*	*Subject or Grade*	*Appointment*	*Yrs. Experience*	*Education*	*Degrees*
Elwin F. Towne	High	Supt. and Principal	1944	20	Bates College	A. B.
						M. A.
Mrs. Hazel Ramer	High	Assist. Principal	1921	37	Salem Normal	
Frank J. Malone	High	French, Latin, Spanish	1931	16	Boston College	B. A.
					Boston University	M. A.
Wilbur Armstrong	High	Science	1944	25	Atlantic Union	B. R. E.
					Atlantic Union	B. A.
					Boston University	M. A.
Marguerite Williams	High	Commercial-Physical Education for Girls	1946	1	Salem Teachers Col.	B. S. E.
Libby Volk	High	Commercial	1946		Salem Teachers Col.	B. S. E.
Mrs. Laura W. Boyd	High	English	1925	25	Emerson College	B. L. I.
Carl J. Martini	High	Math. and Physical Education for Boys	1943	3	Holy Cross	B. S.
Edith Anderson	High	History	1929	32	Salem Normal	
Warren D. Bennett	High	Social Studies	1942	7	Boston University	B. S. E.
						M. E.
Ruth E. Austen	High	English and Music	1945	21	Radcliffe	A. B.
					New Eng. Conserv. of Music	M. B.
John O'Neil	High	Mixed	1946		Fitchburg Tea.	B. S. E.
Millicent Boswell	High	Home Economics and Cafeteria Manager	1943	4	Framingham Tea. Col.,	B. S. E.

Marshall Gero	High	Manual Training	1947	10	Fitchburg Tea.	B. S. E.
Ellen Duffy	J. Lamson	Grade 6	1927	21	Gorham Normal	
Margaret K. Batchelder	"	Grade 5	1920	27	Salem Normal	
Marian C. Joseph	"	Grade 4	1921	26	Salem Normal	
Mrs. Lydia Harmer	"	Grade 3	1944	12	Bridgewater Normal	
Doris Woodbury	"	Grade 2	1945	5	Bridgewater Tea. Col.	B. S. E.
Mrs. Irene Thibedeau	"	Grade 1	1946	6	Salem Teachers Col.	
Harriet Erskine	"	Junior Primary	1946	2	Leslie Kindergarten	
Maude L. Thomas	"	Music	1923	24	Boston University	
Florence L. Stobbart	All	Nurse	1925	21	Beverly Hospital	R. N.

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM OF STUDIES

Grade	Course	Period 1	2	3	4	5	6
7		History	English	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Physical Ed.	History	Science
8		History	Arithmetic	Science	Physical Ed.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	English
9	College A.B.	Civics	Science	Latin I		Physical Ed.	Col. English
	General	Science		Gen. English	Civics	Physical Ed.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys
	Commercial	Civics	Science	Gen. English	Jr. Bus. Tr'g.	Physical Ed.	
	College B.S.	Civics	Science		Algebra I	Physical Ed.	Col. English
	Nursing	Science		Gen. English	Civics	Physical Ed.	Home Ec.
	Medical Secre.	Civics	Science	Gen. English	Jr. Bus. Tr'g.	Physical Ed.	
	Industry	Science		Gen. Eng.	Civics	Physical Ed.	Shop
10	College A.B.	Latin II		Vocations and Pub. Speaking or Sales and Psy.	College English	Physical Ed.	French I
	General		Gen. Eng.	Vocations & Pub. Speaking or Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Physical Ed.	World History
	Commercial	Bus. Law and Com. Arith.	Gen. Eng.		Typing I	Physical Ed.	World History
	College B.S.	Biology	Algebra II		Col. English	Physical Ed.	French I

	Nursing	Biology	Gen. Eng.	Vocations & Pub. Speaking or Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.	Physical Ed.	
	Medical Secre.	Biology	Gen. Eng.	Vocations & Pub. Speaking or Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.	Physical Ed.	
	Industry	Bus. Law and Com. Arith.	Gen. Eng.	Sales and Psychology		Physical Ed.	World History
11	College A.B.	Col. English	French II	Gen. Math.	Latin III	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
	General	Gen. English	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Gen. Math.		U. S. History	Physical Ed.
	Commercial	Gen. English	U. S. History		Girls Physical Education	Typing II	Shorthand I
	College B.S.	Col. English		Geometry	Chemistry	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
	Nursing	Gen. English	Home Economics		Chemistry	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	Gen. English	Home Economics		Chemistry	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
	Industry	Gen. English		Gen. Math.	Chemistry	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
12	College A.B.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.	Spanish I	Gen. English	Physical Ed.
	General	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.		Gen. English	Physical Ed.
	Commercial	Shorthand II	Typing III	Bookkeep. I		Gen. English	Physical Ed.
	College B.S.	Solid Geom. and Trig.	French II	Typing and World Geog.	Physical Ed.	Col. English	Physics
	Nursing	Home Ec.	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.		Gen. English	Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	Home Economics	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.		Gen. English	Physical Ed.
	Industry	Home Ec.	Prob. of Dem.	Vocations & Pub. Speaking		College English	Physical Ed.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools,
Hamilton, Massachusetts:

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my seventeenth annual report as School Nurse of the Town of Hamilton:

Total enrollment (including kindergarten) 405

Result of physical examination by Dr. Daniel M. Rogers, M.D., School Physician:

Defects:		*Corrections:*	
Tonsils	12	Tonsillectomy	8
Posture	63	Adenoidectomy	8
Feet	14	Appendectomy	5
Functional heart murmurs	10	Eye operation	1
Heart Disease	1	Heart Disease under treatment	1
Moderately enlarged glands	67	Follow up functional heart murmurs	10
Speech	2	Glasses	7
Hernia	1		

All defects found of serious nature are reported to the parents with the request that they consult their family physician.

Diphtheria Protection

Because of the increase in the number of diphtheria cases reported in the State of Massachusetts this past year a survey was carried out through the school to find out how many of the children were properly protected. Requests to parents asking their permission to carry on this program were sent out by the school authorities. All those wishing to take advantage of having their children properly protected were asked to sign and return the letter of request.

Result of diphteria clinic:

No. having Schick test	184
No. found negative to Schick test	69
No. having booster dose of diphtheria toxoid	160
No. being immunized (three treatments)	30
No. refusing booster dose	37
No. refusing three treatments	2

I am sorry I cannot report 100% being properly protected. We still have a few parents unwilling to take advantage of this preventive program.

Tuberculosis Survey

A survey on Tuberculosis was carried on for all adult personnel employed in our schools and all pupils from grades 9—12.

No. having patch test	108	No. X-Rayed	54
No. reacting	57	No. found negative	54

Three, unable to be present at the clinic, wil be X-Rayed privately. It is gratifying to be able to report on all those being tested and X-Rayed that they were free of tuberculosis.

Hearing

The audiometer was again used to test the hearing of all children from grade 4 to 12.

No. tested	252	No. retested	28
No. Found with some hearing loss	4		

Notice is being sent to parents of children found to have hearing loss.

Contagious and Communicable Diseases.

Communicable or Contagious diseases reported to date of the School population is as follows:

Whooping Cough	12	Measles	8
Mumps	1	Chicken pox	9
Scarlet Fever	4		

Miscellaneous:

Scabies	1	Impetigo	4
Ivy	7	Dogwood	9
Pediculosis	6		

The above report shows all too clearly the pressing need of excluding all pupils or teachers showing signs of illness, even though it may seem to be only a common cold. Only in this way can we prevent serious epidemics.

Dental Program

We are most fortunate in having a dental clinic carried on by Dr. John King as has been done for the past several years. A report of the work done for the year folows:

No. of children attending clinic	500
No. of dental operations	685
No. receiving dental certificates through clinic	89
No. having had treatments	6
No. of cleanings	149
No. of extractions	55
No. of silver fillings	370
No. of temporary fillings	79
No. of X-Rays	3
No. receiving novacaine	60
No. of private dental certificates	5

Report on high school dental work which is all carried on privately:

Total enrollment at high school	190
Total number having dental certificates	23
Number having dental care to date	84

Other routine health work is carried on as follows: General inspection of classrooms for cleanliness, weighing and measuring, eye and ear examinations, home calls when necessary, first aid dressings, clerical work, follow up work on physical defects and consultations with parents, teachers, superintendent, state physician, state supervisor, school physician, etc.

Before summing up my report I would like to compliment the personnel and management of the school cafeterias for their neatness and general appearance. The well planned menus and the nutritious and hot midday lunches have proven their value by giving added vitamins and energy building foods for healthy development of our growing boys and girls.

I am always very grateful for any suggestions that might help or improve our health program as on the health of our school population depends the health of our future adult citizens.

In closing I wish to thank all members of the school faculty, parents, pupils, school physician and school dentist and all other health authorities for their kind and considerate help and cooperation.

I sincerely hope we will continue to maintain a high standard of health and morale in our schools and community.

Respectfully submitted.

FLORENCE L. STOBBART, R. N.,
School Nurse.

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATION PROGRAM

YOUTH LOOKS TO THE FUTURE

OVERTURE	High School Orchestra
PROCESSIONAL Pomp and Circumstance *Elgar*	Orchestra
NATIONAL ANTHEM	Orchestra and Audience
INVOCATION	Rev. Edward J. McLaughlin
INTRODUCTION	Caroline Dove
RECREATION	Lois Johnson
A HEALTH PROGRAM	June Thayer
PIANO SOLO	Richard Child
THE GRADUATE LOOKS TO THE FUTURE	Earl Flynn
CITIZENSHIP	Theodore Holland
ONE WORLD *O'Hara-Brattau*	Girls Glee Club
SECONDARY EDUCATION	Joan Foster
CONCLUSION	Caroline Dove
CIRIBIRIBIN *Pestalozza*	High School Orchestra
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS	Mrs. Grace B. Lamson
BENEDICTION	Rev. Edward J. McLaughlin
RECESSIONAL Pomp and Circumstance *Elgar*	Orchestra

GRADUATING CLASS

1946

Gilman Allen
Nancy E. Brackett
Barbara Ann Brooks
Catherine Mary Carter
Richard Louis Child
Howard Collyer
Mary Ann Cunningham
Thedore A. Holland
Caroline Mary Dove
Lois Johnson
Thomas Hugh Duran
Floyd L. Killam
Earl Flynn
James Joseph Millerick
Joan Annette Foster
Arthur G. Richard
Robert William Richard
James M. Schofield
June Page Thayer
Patricia Ann Turner
Janet Lucille Walker
Shirley Anne Whipple

AGE OF ADMITTANCE

Pupils entering the kindergarten in September must have been at least four years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

Pupils entering the first grade in September must have been at least five years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

VACCINATION

Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter during the summer vacation, as certificates of vaccination or exemption must be presented at the opening of school to entitle children to admission.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

Radio broadcast over WNAC of Yankee Network and Salem WESX between 7:30 and 8:00 a. m., if there is no school for the day.

22-22 at 7:30 a. m. over the local fire alarm means that there will be no school for the day.

Obviously we cannot blow the no-school signal for every storm. Parents may reserve the right to keep their children home in stormy weather if in their own judgment they feel that the weather is too servere for their children.

SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1946

	Boys	Girls
Number between five and seven years of age	20	22
Number between seven and sixteen years of age	147	136
Totals	167	158
Total Census		325
Distribution of the above minors, October 1, 1946:		
In the public day school membership		299
In Private school membership		25
Not enrolled in any school		1

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1947

January 6	Schools open
March 21	Schools close
March 31	Schools open
May 30	Holiday
June 13	Lamson School closes
June 20	High School closes

Summer Vacation

September 8	Schools open
October 13	Holiday
November 11	Holiday
November 26	Schools close at noon
December 1	Schools open
December 19	Schools close

1948

January 5	Schools open

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1946

	AGE																	
Grade	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Junior Primary	3	22	1															26
1		5	15	3														23
2			7	22	1													30
3				11	17	3	2											33
4					8	17	3		1									29
5						6	22	6	1									35
6							6	18	5	1			1					31
7								2	18	8	6		1					35
8									8	18	5		1					32
9									2	7	12	9	4	1				35
10											12	14	3	1				30
11											2	7	15	4				28
12													10	13	5	4	1	33
Totals	3	27	23	36	26	26	33	26	35	34	37	30	35	19	5	4	1	400

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